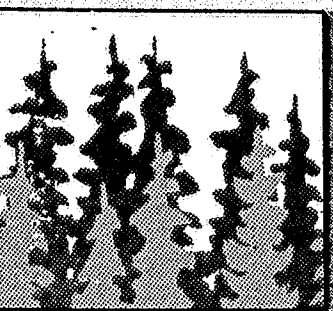
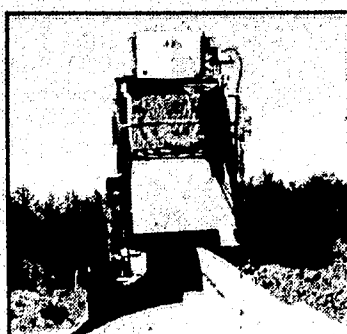


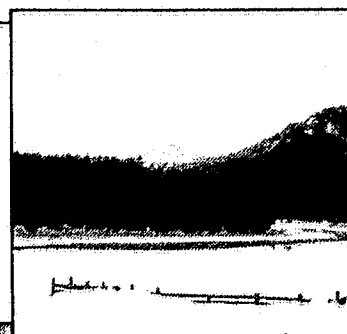
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Tree Farmer
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'No society can surely
be flourishing and
happy when part of
the members are poor
and miserable.'
ADAM SMITH



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Land Trust purchases Bear River Rips parcel

By ALISON ALOISIO

The Mahoosuc Land Trust has purchased five acres near the Bear River Rips, to be used as a canoe access point for the Androscoggin River.

The rips, at the confluence of the Bear and Androscoggin rivers, are located near the Newry/Hanover town line. The site is about halfway between Davis Park in Bethel and the new boat ramp in Hanover.

The deal was struck in late December with landowners Bob and Cynthia Laux of Bethel, according to Jim Mitchell, executive director of MLT. The Lauxes are selling the parcel for less than what they had asked on the private market. The site will be known as Moran Landing, after Cynthia Moran-Laux's father.

"It's ideally suited for an access point," said Mitchell. "It's a low bank to the river, and it's right on Route 2. It's a great place to put in

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The Mahoosuc Land Trust has purchased five acres of land around Bear River rips, at the confluence of the Androscoggin and Bear rivers. The site, which is near the Newry/Hanover town line, will be used as a canoe access point. The rips are shown here, to the left in the photo, as they enter the Androscoggin. (Photo by Eric Schwarz)

Bear River Rips

Top local stories of 2001

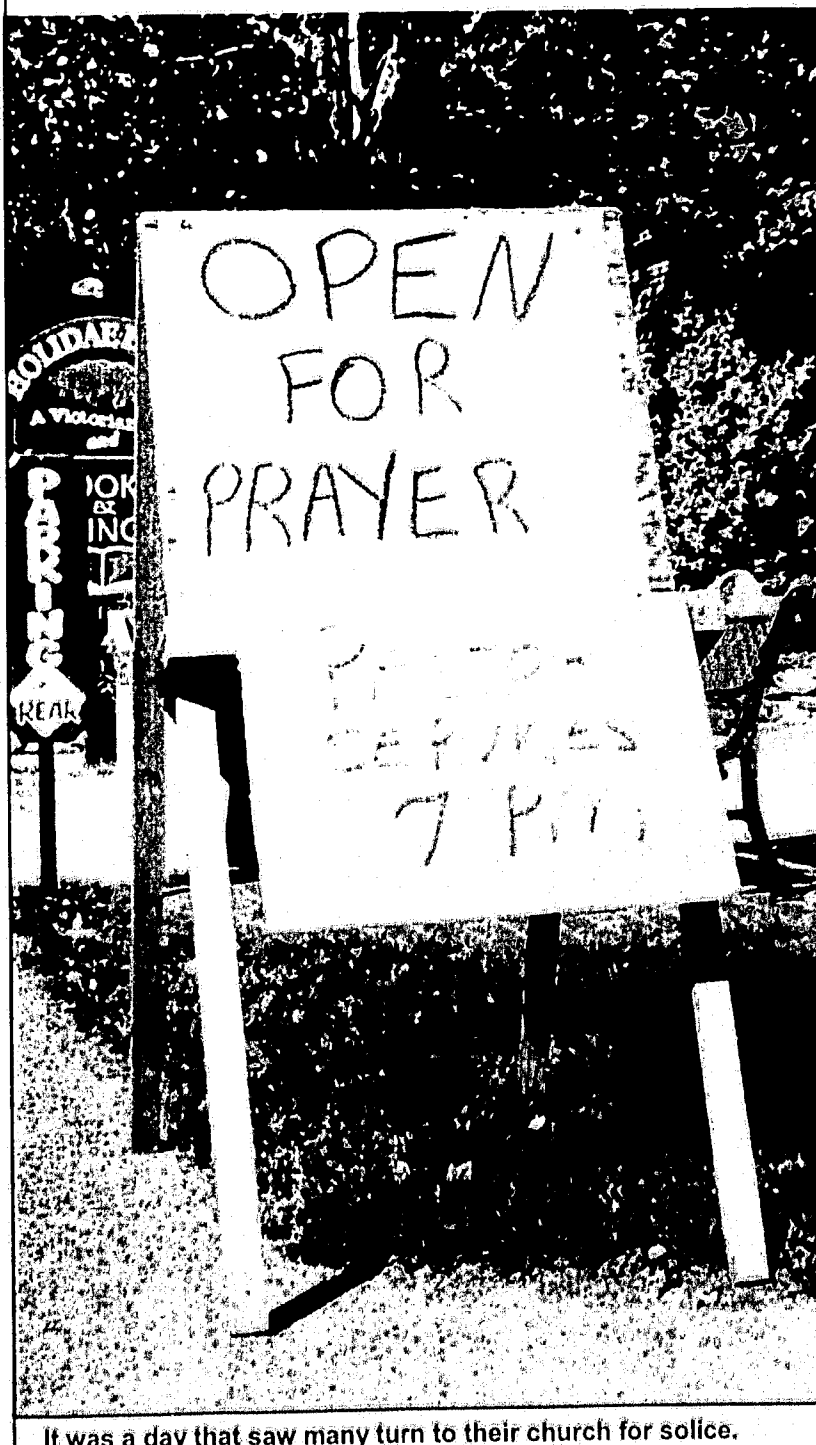
Tuesday, September 11

No mention of the events of 2001 can fail to take note of the national tragedy of Sept. 11, and its profound impact not only in our own country but around the world.

As the events of that day unfolded, people nearly everywhere reacted similarly, with initial disbelief followed by shock, fear, then outrage. For some, those feelings were compounded by concern for friends and acquaintances who might have been in harm's way. Fortunately, it appears that in this respect at least we were spared.

Even before the day was over, people had sprung to action, organizing drives that raised unprecedented amounts of money, blood and clothing. Sadly, the last of these proved largely unneeded, there being few survivors to benefit from them.

In November, Albany resident Jan Bernstein went a step further. He began organizing an effort to bring New York City firefighters to Bethel for a vacation the first week in February. By year's end, a number of area lodging and recreation businesses had stepped forward to offer free accommodations and services.



It was a day that saw many turn to their church for solace.

Plenty of plans for developments on our horizon

Does Community Concepts think there's a need for this?

BETHEL SELECTMAN AL BARTH

On plans for affordable housing in Bethel Station

The landscape outside of Bethel village proper — a varying mix of residential, agricultural and forest lands — has long been subject to development pressure in the form of subdivisions, but the past year introduced the prospect of new changes in both scale and form.

Traditionally, these parts of town have also had their share of small gravel pits, some with rock-crushing operations.

The town's Site Plan Review Ordinance required that gravel pits and rock-crushing sites be reviewed and approved by the town Planning Board, but in practice this seldom happened. Most sites were set up and operated without town review, and no one complained.

But when Ron Savage began ex-

tracting gravel and crushing rocks on a site off the Intervale Road their neighbors did complain, vociferously.

They raised a number of issues regarding the site, the most serious being noise from the rock crushing and the possibility of heavy truck traffic on the quiet road.

And Planning Board Chairman Frank Vogt characterized the Savage operation as so significantly different in size, scope and impact

on its neighbors that it required some response from the town, despite the past practice of overlooking such operations.

Selectmen and planners grappled with the problem of how to deal with the situation in a manner that was fair to all concerned, and they finally settled on forming a committee to look at the regulation of such operations and to come up with suggestions for possible changes to the regulations and/or

practices.

The committee eventually recommended changing the ordinance to exclude gravel pits without structures from town regulation (sites over five acres are already covered by state regulations).

The committee, however, did not address the issue of rock crushers, leading the Board of Selectmen to propose a six-month moratorium on the review of any gravel and crushing sites.

The moratorium was intended to give the town time to draft more specific regulations regarding such sites, and to prevent operations such as Savage's from being approved under the existing rules.

At a special Town Meeting in

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Elevator accident at inn claims life of young visitor

A particularly tragic accident — one that had an impact statewide — left the Bethel area shocked and saddened in the summer of 2001.

In late August, an 8-year-old Maryland boy who was visiting the Bethel Inn with his parents and sister was killed in a freak elevator accident. Joseph Smith became trapped between the closing doors of the inn's old elevator and was killed when the lift was called to an upper floor.

The tragedy prompted an investigation by the state, as well as inspections statewide to check the width of the space between the two doors of other older elevators.

The inn elevator had earlier been inspected and approved as safe, but officials found afterward that it exceeded the allowable space between the doors. At the end of the year, the boy's father, Jeffrey Smith, filed lawsuits against the inn and the inspection company, as well as the company that constructed the elevator.

There were other accidents, fires and crimes over the course of the

year. Although they may not have had the widespread effect of the elevator tragedy, they still brought grief to individual families.

Car accidents

Albany lost one of its oldest residents in early December when 92-year-old Alice Kimball died in a car accident on Route 26.

Three Route 2 accidents claimed lives earlier in the year. In March, two Andover men were killed in a crash in Rumford. Merton Perkins, 82, and Cecil Abbott, 87, died in a car/pulp truck accident.

In April, a young woman from central Maine died in a two-car crash near Newry Corner. And in June, a New Brunswick man died in a motorcycle accident in Gilead.

Fires

In October, a morning fire de-

stroyed a large duplex vacation home in the Powder Ridge development of Newry. No one was home at the time, and it was later concluded that fireplace embers had apparently caused the blaze. The same week, a fire destroyed a vacant farmhouse in Woodstock.

Mother Nature started her own fire in August, as a lightning strike sparked a blaze near Crocker Pond, in the White Mountain National Forest. The smoldering fire required a return visit by firefighters several days after it was thought to have been extinguished.

Crime

Burglaries and drug busts kept police busy in the summer and early fall. In July, two young Rumford men were charged in burglaries at the West Bethel Children's Center and Bethel Auto Sales. They had previously been arrested in connection with burglaries in Gorham, N.H.

In September, a Bethel man, Miguel Reinoso-Hernandez, was arrested on charges of cocaine trafficking and marijuana cultivation.

Court cases are still pending on all the men.

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Letters

ATTEND THE APPEAL

To the Editor:

I would like to urge all interested residents of Bethel to attend the Board of Appeals meeting on Tuesday, Jan. 8. The meeting will be held at the Telstar High School's lecture hall at 6 p.m.

The agenda items for consideration are the Angevine Pond and Community Concepts low-income housing project at Bethel Station. Please attend.

Pat Dooen
Bethel

SPECIAL WORD OF THANKS

To the Editor:

What a wonderful night we enjoyed around the Living Nativity this year. A good-sized crowd, a large number of participants in both the drama and choir parts and a beautiful night, made up the wonder of it all.

I would like to publicly thank a number of people for their special help in the nativity. First, I want to thank Eric and Christine (Trefethen) List, and baby, Sophia, for portraying the Holy Family. Their son, Elliot, was also one of the angels.

Thanks also to Drew Webster as our Head Wise Man, Lenny Hoy as the Angel of the Lord and Brenda Maxfield as our Head Shepherd(ess). Thanks go to Carl Brown, our narrator, and to Mary Brown for her leading of the choir, as well as to each member of the choir — they sounded wonderful.

Thanks also go to the Rotary Club for helping with the setting up and dismantling of the corral, and to the Bethel Inn for use of their Conference Center as our base of operations.

Also, to those who added so much to the scene with the live animals — Tim and Joanne Korhonen for their coordinating efforts, Pooh Corner Farm for Eeyore and Gould Academy for the sheep.

Also, it was so nice to be able to hear both the narrator and the choir this year above all the other noise, and we have Peter Goding of Goding Productions, Inc. to thank for that.

And, of course, thank you to all our drama participants — our angels, our magi, and our shepherds, as well as those who worked behind the scenes getting them all dressed and in position on time — they were the nativity's success.

I would like to offer a special thank you to a small group of men from the Bethel Alliance Church for the many hours of work they put into the rebuilding of the corral and the redesigning of the electrical system for the lights.

They rebuilt, painted and added to the size of the corral, and they also constructed a wiring harness that allowed us to put up and take down everything in about a fourth of the time normally needed. So thank you to Carl Brown, Rudy Royer, Bill Mitchell, Drew Webster and Ron Millett for all your hard work and expertise.

Finally, I want to thank the people of the town of Bethel for their continued belief in and support of the Living Nativity. It is a highlight to hundreds every year, including local people as well as those guests we have in town for the holidays.

Every year I have people tell me how they participated in many ways over the years. It is so great to be able to carry on such a meaningful tradition that highlights the foundational reason for our Christmas celebration.

Until next year, thanks again to all.

The Rev. Rick Mowery
Coordinator, Living Nativity

ICE RINK THANKS

To the Editor:

The Bethel Recreation Committee thanks the following folks for helping in the setting up of the new ice rink on the common and the constant watering effort that has made the common a special place over the holidays.

Barry Carver, Steve Caswell, David Berry, Emily Beers, Blake MacKay, Scott Brown were the volunteers who made this possible. I would like to thank the Bethel Fire Department for providing all the equipment for the ice-making job.

Scott Parker
Recreation Board President

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

The Citizen welcomes letters to the editor. We hope our readers will regard the Opinion Page of the newspaper as a public forum for discussing any topic they believe to be of interest to the community.

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We do not knowingly publish letters that have been submitted to other newspapers, letters to third parties, letters that endorse products, or letters that are unsigned.

These guidelines will be waived, however, when doing so is deemed to be in the community's interest.

In situations where the letter writer has a political, economic, familial or other relationship that could be perceived as bearing on the topic addressed in the letter, we strongly suggest the writer make that relationship known in the text of the letter or after their signature.

In cases where the writer chooses not to do so, the editor reserves the right to make the relationship known.

The decision as to whether a given relationship is in fact relevant shall lie solely with the editor.

In questionable cases we will disclose the relationship and allow our readers to judge the relevance for themselves.

When writing, please include your full name, signature, address and telephone number (so that we may verify authorship).

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Arlan Jodrey honored as Outstanding Maine Tree Farmer of the Year



Arlan Jodrey

Arlan Jodrey of Bethel will receive the 2002 Outstanding Maine Tree Farmer of the Year Award from Governor Angus King at the Maine Agricultural Trades Show in Augusta on Jan. 9. Jodrey and his wife, Eleanor, also received the Oxford County Tree Farmer of the Year Award, joining Maine Tree Farmers in six other counties as recipients.

Other county award winners are — State Runner-up and Kennebec County: The Brown Family, owners of Meadowbrook Farm in China; State Runner-up and Hancock County: Steve and Shannon Lion, Sinkhaze Farm, Old Town; Waldo County: Tim Basham of South China; Penobscot County: John Grover of Corinna; Franklin County: Jerome "Jay" Long of Wolfeboro, NH; Kennebec County: George Brush of Augusta.

The 236-acre Jodrey Tree Farm has been in the family for many

years, with lots in Bethel, Waterford, Greenwood and Albany Township. The Jodreys have owned some of the parcels since 1963 and in 1994, Eleanor's parents, Elizabeth and Stanley Lord, transferred their land to the Jodreys. That parcel had been in the family since 1949 and became a tree farm in the early 1950s.

The Jodreys have maintained the same objectives for the woodlots since owning the land — to grow high-quality white pine for timber while balancing multiple use activities on the lands for the long term. Areas that are not suited for white pine are being managed for high-quality hardwood sawlogs.

All work on the property has been done by the family since 1950, when the lot was first selectively harvested. Jodrey uses a Clark Ranger conventional skidder and a John Deere 350C dozer with a winch for commercial operations and road construction and maintenance. Harvesting has been steady over the years, focusing primarily on white pine, but the ice storms of 1998 necessitated a salvage operation on the Waterford and Bethel lots. Jodrey salvaged 46,700 board feet of sawtimber and 95 cords of pulpwood. His quick response resulted in income that could have been lost and better aesthetics on these parcels as well as a healthy stand for the future.

Jodrey helped the town of Bethel's woodlot become certified as a Tree Farm in 1978, during his tenure as selectman. He currently represents residents of District 65 in the Maine House of Representatives and serves on the Legislature's Joint Standing Committee on Agri-

culture, Conservation and Forestry. The Jodrey land is open to the public for hunting, fishing, snowmobiling, bicycling, bird watching, hiking and walking. Gould Academy's cross-country skiers and runners are encouraged to use trails on the Tree Farm that connect with the school's trails.

The Jodrey Tree Farm has a long-standing relationship with the foresters of Mead Paper (and before that with Boise-Cascade and Oxford Paper). A forester has marked nearly all harvested timber since 1953. Steve Gettle is their current forester.

The Outstanding Tree Farmer of the Year recognizes private landowners for doing an exceptional job of managing and improving the forest on their property. Winners are also chosen based on their efforts to foster and promote the practice of sustainable forestry to other landowners and the public. Jodrey now will enter the judging for Regional Outstanding Tree Farmer of the Year title.

To be a Certified Tree Farmer, a landowner must manage the forest in an environmentally sound manner in accordance with the American Tree Farm System's standards and guidelines. Established in 1941, the Tree Farm System is the oldest and largest forest certification program in the United States. Today 65,000 Certified Tree Farmers are managing 85 million acres of forest. There are over 1,800 Tree Farms in Maine, averaging 188 acres. For further information or to join the Maine Tree Farm program call 621-9872. The Maine Tree Farm Program will celebrate its 50th Anniversary Year in 2002.

Rips

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a boat. Any time we've been there in the summer there have been fishermen."

The land trust is buying the property with money loaned by Hanover resident Richard Stratton, Mitchell said.

MLT currently has an application filed with the Land for Maine's Future Program. If approved, the program would provide 80 percent of the purchase price. He said he is optimistic about the prospects for approval.

Another application has been submitted to the Maine Department

of Conservation, to cover the difference, Mitchell said. Stratton would be reimbursed with any grant funds. In the event the grants are not approved, the land trust would conduct fundraising efforts.

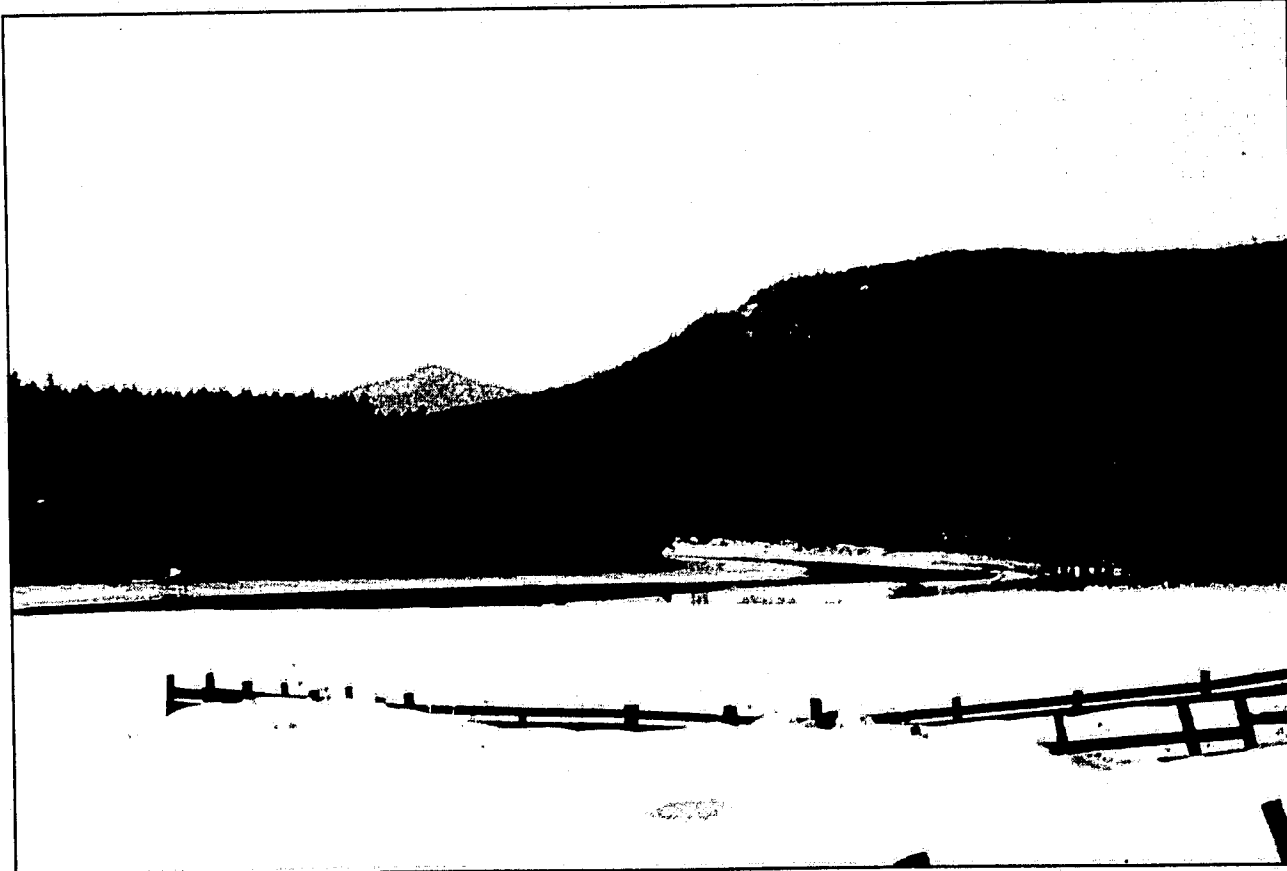
MLT also has plans to improve the site, said Mitchell. Another grant application, this one to the Maine Recreational Trails Program, could provide \$30,000 for a parking lot and a path to the water. Some of the money would also be used for repairs at other existing MLT canoe access points.

The purchase of the new access

point has been a long process, dating back to the summer. Earlier attempts at an agreement collapsed over appraisal issues with the state, Mitchell said. He credited Marcel Polak, an MLT member, for doing most of the negotiations work.

Mitchell said MLT had "a huge collection" of letters of support for the purchase from individuals, organizations and businesses. "It was a big cooperative effort," he said.

He said property owners willing to sell land to the land trust at a reduced price may benefit from tax breaks.



A VIEW OF THE BEAR RIVER RIPS from downstream in Hanover. Locke Mountain (the real Locke Mountain) is visible in the center left background. (Photo by Eric Schwarz)

In our back yard

Trash Bags Getting Heavier?

Maine residents, visitors and businesses generated 1,696,006 tons of waste and recyclable materials in 1999. Recycling helped reduce the actual tonnage disposed to 1,002,385 tons. That makes 1999 the first year in Maine history that over a million tons of garbage was incinerated or landfilled. Per person, trash generation is growing and Maine towns and their residents certainly aren't celebrating this occasion.

In fact we're paying more for it. As we produce more waste, we pay more in fees to dispose of it. These increased fees adversely affect all Maine communities and are a tremendous burden to many. This is an unnecessary burden since there are many simple ways we can reduce the amount of waste we all produce.

You can help by thinking about the products you buy and how they are packaged. Here are a few simple tips on waste reduction:

- Use reusable items rather than disposable items.
- Purchase supplies in bulk.
- Avoid products with excessive multi-layered packaging.
- Borrow or repair items before purchasing a new item.
- Reuse envelopes.
- Share magazine subscriptions with friends and neighbors.
- Compost food and leaves and other yard waste.
- Purchase used products rather than new ones.
- Conduct and participate in yard sales.

Reduce amount of junk mail received by writing and advising your current catalog subscriptions not to share your name and address with other mailers.

Also, write to Mail Preference Service, Direct Marketing Association, 11 West 42nd Street, New York, NY 10036.

Waste reduction has a bright future. Plastic and aluminum soda bottles are now made with thinner materials, which means fewer resources used in manufacturing. Shipping boxes within companies are now reusable. Manufacturers are designing products with waste reduction and less packaging in mind. More products are available in bulk today than in recent years. Numerous charities accept used clothing and household goods. E-mails are replacing hand-written letters. Newspapers are using a higher and higher percentage of recycled content paper and continue to encourage recycling.

Recycling helps with waste reduction but is not the answer. Less waste on a person-by-person basis, with lighter trash bags, is our goal. This goal can be reached as all Maine consumers consider the quality and end-life of the products they buy. Maybe it used to take just one trip to carry your trash to the curb but now it takes two or more trips. If it feels like your trash bags are heavier today than ever before, you're probably right.

For more information please visit www.recyclmaine.com or call 287-9074.

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Our Back Pages

Compiled by JOHN BROWN

10 years ago: Evans Notch District Ranger, Chad Converse, accepted a transfer by the U.S. Forest Service to Anchorage, Alaska. He had been on the White Mountain National Forest for six years.

Zachary H. Newell, 24, of Oxford, who had lived in Bethel as a youngster, and Rodney Wakefield, 34, of Harrison, died when the car in which they were riding broke through the ice on Keoka Lake in Waterford.

Derek Hocking, 21, of Foxboro, Mass. suffered a compound leg fracture as a result of a chairlift accident at the Sunday River Skiway.

Ann Cockwell of the University of Natal in South Africa was spending her summer vacation working the busy winter ski season at the Sunday River Inn.

Butch Fuller, a 32-year Mt. Abram Ski Slopes employee, stepped down from his position as director of the Ski Patrol.

Deaths: Zachary H. Newell, Rodney Wakefield, Winifred B. Scott.

20 years ago: David and Marcia Denison moved their Main Street business to their home on Vernon Street.

Mr. and Mrs. Ricky Osgood and daughter of Bryant Pond had recently lost their home by fire.

Airman Edmund E. Mason II had been assigned to Shepherd Air Force Base, Texas, following completion of basic training.

Sue Farrar was one of 22 winners in a contest sponsored by the League of Women Voters.

Birth: Kristen Elizabeth Pitcher.

Deaths: Emily Clement, Laura Pinkham, Noella Barlow.

30 years ago: An article requesting construction of a sidewalk on Philbrook Street was presented for the town meeting warrant.

A car overturned in the driveway of Andrew and Colleen Boyd in West Bethel.

Skating was added to the physical education programs at Crescent Park and Ethel Bisbee schools.

Births: Victoria Eastman, Robin Jessica Hutchins, Rachael Lynn Vashaw.

Deaths: Harry Rowe, Ralph H. Kimball, Virginia Hart, Viola G. Morrill, Faye S. Taylor.

40 years ago: Claudia DeMonte, daughter of Edna Curtis, received the Good Citizenship Award at Gould Academy.

The Rev. Clifford R. Patnode of Keeseville, N.Y. was appointed pastor of the Bethel Church of the Nazarene.

Lawrence Kendall succeeded Joseph Perry as Bethel night police officer.

Robert L. McKeen, foreman at the Stowell Silk Spool Co. in Bryant Pond for the past 20 years, retired in December. He remained available to the firm as a consultant.

Tim Carter of Bethel had been named as co-captain of the cross-country team at the University of Maine, Orono. Also serving as co-captain was Bruce Wentworth of Bangor.

Midshipman Jeffrey Hutchins, a student at Maine Maritime Academy, departed on a 12,000-mile training cruise to the Caribbean and South America.

Births: E. Richard Angevine Jr., Loretta Wight.

Deaths: Edgar Rainey, Charles A. Merrill, Lewis J. Mann, Lena Heath, Durward H. Mason.

50 years ago: Carl Larson suffered severe flesh wounds when a board saw started while he was filing. Cuts were confined to his left arm and leg.

The Magalloway items noted that Bessie Harvey's home burned to the ground while she was attending church.

David Thompson, Marjorie Freeman (Menzies), Emily Saunders and Rebecca Philbrick (Kendall) were elected as directors of the Bethel Players.

Wilbur R. Myers was president of the Bethel Chamber of Commerce. Many cases of measles were reported in the Bethel schools.

Births: Nancy Young, Darryl Wood Rice.

Deaths: Walter R. Wyman, Walter E. Ordway, John Korhonen, Michael Wayne Strout.

80 years ago: The holiday season at the Bethel Inn was especially brilliant. Sherwood Badger, champion amateur skater of the United States, was a guest.

100 years ago: Sleighing was good on all roads in Bethel and surrounding towns.

F.L. Edwards gave up his extensive milk route on Jan. 1, 1902. Milk was selling at six cents a quart.

A shirtwaist dancing party was held at Odeon Hall.

Death: Elbridge Wheeler.

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Briefly

Lawsuit filed over elevator death

BETHEL—The father of an 8-year-old Maryland boy killed in an elevator accident at the Bethel Inn in August is suing the inn and two elevator companies. Jeffrey S. Smith filed suit in U.S. District Court in Portland. His son, Joseph, was between the two doors of the elevator when it was called from an upper floor. He was crushed when the elevator moved up. The suit alleges the inn is liable for allowing operation of dangerous machinery, and the Otis Elevator Co. is liable for designing an elevator with flaws. Also named in the suit is Pine State Elevator, the service and inspection company, which was cited for failing to warn elevator users of the dangers. The suit does not specify the amount of money sought.

Mountain Explorer reports numbers

BETHEL—The Mountain Explorer transit system carried a total of 1,614 riders during the week ending Dec. 30, according to officials. The buses had 442 riders during the day and evening on New Year's Eve. The system provides free bus service in the Bethel Village area and between Bethel and Sunday River Ski Resort.

Unemployment up

NORWAY—The Rumford area saw its unemployment rate increase to 8 percent in November, up from 7.5 percent in October. Gains were reported with the opening of Sunday River Ski Resort, but the wood products and manufacturing sectors suffered job losses, according to Gerard Dennison, senior economic analyst for Western Maine. More jobs are expected with the 2002 opening of the Wal-Mart Supercenter in Mexico, but Dennison warned an impending merger between Mead Paper and Westvaco Corp. could result in layoffs. The Norway-Paris region also saw an increase in the unemployment rate, which rose to 6.2 percent in November.

Bus shelter to be built

NORWAY—Selectmen last week approved the construction of an information kiosk and bus shelter on Main Street. The bus stop could be used by riders of Western Maine Transportation, and could be used in marketing the area as a stop for outside bus tours, according to the Norway Revitalization Group. The group has applied for a \$10,000 grant from the Maine Department of Transportation to build the structure.

Car/train accident injures one

PARIS—A Paris man ran into a St. Lawrence & Atlantic train last week at the crossing near Ripley & Fletcher. Robert Sanborn Jr., 22, said he saw no flashing lights and did not hear warning bells as he approached the crossing at night. The platform of a low-bed car smashed his windshield. Sanborn was taken to Stephens Memorial Hospital, where he was treated for a head injury and released. The train's conductor was unaware of the accident because Sanborn hit the train after most of its 55 cars had passed the crossing, according to Paris police. It stopped at Oxford Street after the train company was notified.

Blood drive at Sunday River

NEWRY—A Red Cross Blood Drive is scheduled for Jan. 11 at Sunday River Ski Resort. The drive will take place in the Mahoosuc Room at South Ridge Lodge, from 1 to 6 p.m. Appointments are encouraged (call 824-5261), but walk-ins are welcome.

Trail system receives donation

CARRABASSETT VALLEY—A contractor has donated \$50,000 to kick off a fundraising campaign for a 170-mile hut and trail system for cross-country skiing and mountain biking. The contribution by Clem Begin of Sugarloaf Construction Co. and his wife, Rolande, was announced Friday at the beginning of a campaign to raise \$500,000 in three months for the system. The project calls for cutting the trail from Newry to Rockwood, and building a dozen huts, each of which would be 5,500 square feet and accommodate 35 to 40 people. Plans call for the first three huts to be built next spring, two in Carrabassett Valley and the other on the shore of nearby Flagstaff Lake. Linking the three huts would require cutting 23 miles of trail. The Western Mountains Foundation, which is organizing the project hopes to raise an additional \$5 million over five years to complete the work.

Casey to speak at Gould

BETHEL—Paul Casey, manager of the Umbagog Wildlife Refuge, will present a free slideshow and talk Jan. 9 at 7 p.m. at Gould Academy's Ordway Hall. The presentation is offered as part of the Mahoosuc Land Trust's "Local Knowledge" speaker series. The refuge recently acquired lands on the Maine side of the refuge, and Casey will describe them, as well as show slides and talk about the wildlife and recreational opportunities available to the public at the refuge. For more information, call MLT at 824-3806.

Planners table gravel pit

WILTON—The Planning Board recently tabled an application for a permit to operate a controversial gravel pit. Two years ago, planners approved a permit for Elwood McLaughlin's pit. But it was later revoked by the Appeals Board when abutters objected to the pit and the approval process. A Franklin County Superior Court case, which involves suits brought by both McLaughlin and the abutters, has been suspended pending the outcome of the most recent process. Planners said they are treating the current application as completely new. They reviewed the submission requirements for the pit and found McLaughlin needs to submit or clarify several issues, such as how oil from equipment will be disposed of.

Hunting declines in north

BANGOR—There was a 12 percent drop in the number of deer hunters using the North Maine Woods this year, continuing a decline in the number of hunters going to the North Woods in search of deer. "Year after year, deer hunting has gone down. There was a big drop this past year," said Melanie Cote, commercial use manager for the North Maine Woods. "This used to be where people went for deer hunting. At one point it was where we made most of our income, back in the '80s. No other type of hunting compared. Now it's not." The woods lie in northwestern Maine, above Mooshead Lake and west of Baxter State Park to the Canadian border. It is managed on behalf of 23 timber companies. While the lack of deer hunters could support biologists' theory that fewer people were hunting deer last fall statewide, the statistics may not tell the whole story. That's because the highest concentrations of deer in Maine are in the central and southern parts of the state.

Nude dancing proposed

LANCASTER, N.H.—About 70 people turned out recently for a hearing regarding an application to the zoning board to allow nude dancing at a nightclub/rocker rink. The applicant said he wanted to offer entertainment with an adult atmosphere on Saturday nights. He proposed bringing in professional exotic male and female dancers on separate nights, about four times each a year. Many of the people in attendance voiced their opposition to the plan. A question arose regarding the distance between the nightclub and a residence, because the ordinance prohibits such activity within 500 feet of residential dwellings. It was decided to measure the distance. Another meeting was scheduled for Jan. 2 to again take up the issue.

From the Bethel Police Log:

New Year's party flames out

At 11:25 p.m. on Dec. 31 police responded to assist a State Trooper with a reported explosion on the Howe Hill Road in Locke Mills. On arrival it was found to be a New Year's party with a bonfire. Two of the renters were issued summonses for burning without a permit, and the fire was put out.

Friday, Dec. 28

At 12:44 a.m. police stopped a subject on Chapman Street for erratic operation. He showed signs of intoxication, and was given field sobriety tests, followed by a breath test. Timothy D. Hebert, 22, of Greenwood was given summonses for OUI and operating with an obstructed view.

At 10:40 a.m. police received a call to contact a business on Route 2. The clerk said three males came into the store to pay for gas, and left the door open. When asked to close the door they became angry, paid for the purchase and left doing "cookies" in the parking lot.

At 7:08 p.m. police received a complaint from a Chapman Street resident who said a subject had asked her if she needed any brush or shrubbery cut. She said she did not. The subject then went to another residence with the same question. Police told the complainant to inform the P.D. if there was any further contact.

Sunday, Dec. 30

At 11 p.m. police observed a vehicle with a loud exhaust on Parkway. The officer stopped it, and a license check showed a suspended status in New Hampshire. The plate also did not match the description given. Brandi L. Robinson, 20, was charged with OAS and failure to display a current and valid certificate of inspection. The vehicle's owner, Richard W. Gilbert, was to be summoned for illegal attachment of plates and permitting unlawful use of a motor vehicle.

Saturday, Dec. 29

At 1:26 a.m. police were called to a Flat Road residence for a domestic assault complaint. A subject was leaving when the officer arrived. A second subject said the first one had attacked him, hitting and biting him. The officer went to another residence to try to locate the alleged attacker, but he was not there. Statements were collected from those who witnessed the incident.

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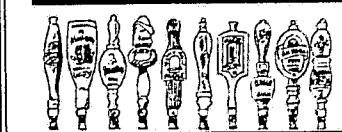
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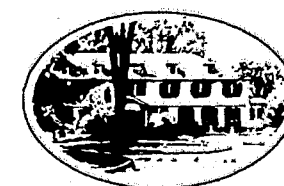
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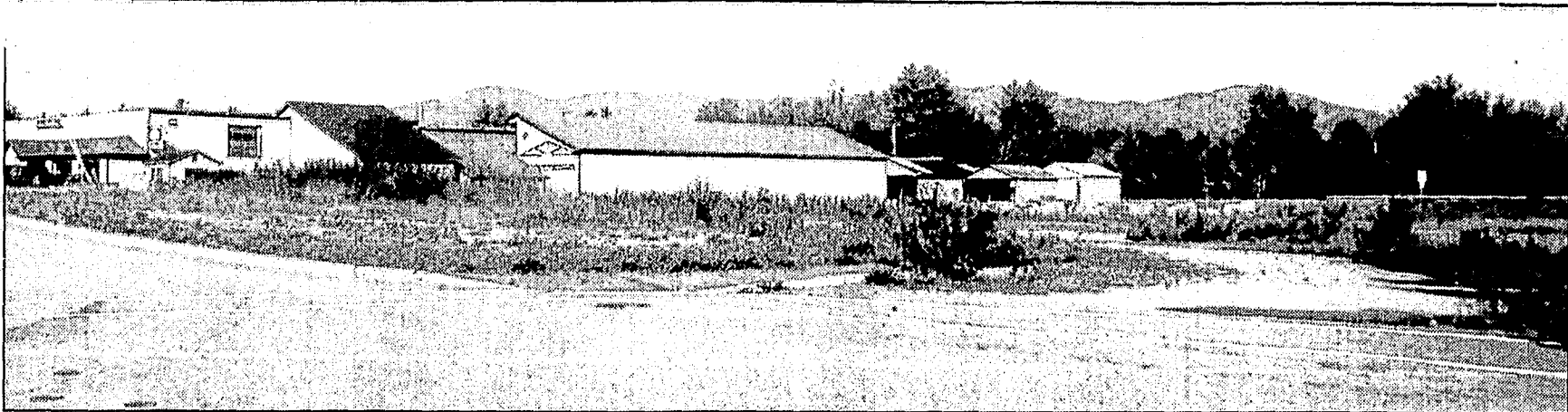
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Plans

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HOUSING SITE? Community Concepts has proposed building a 12-unit affordable housing project on this land in Bethel Station.

December, voters agreed with the study committee's suggestion to exempt gravel pits from town review, but they overwhelmingly turned down the selectmen's call for a moratorium, with many arguing that it would unfairly target the Savage site.

That site is now being reviewed under the existing regulations. (Savage submitted a site plan application immediately following the call for a moratorium.)

But one major concern raised both by the neighbors and by planners in their initial discussions of the site might now be taken off the table.

That issue is the impact of heavy truck traffic on the neighborhood.

Following the Town Meeting vote, Savage argued that since gravel pits are no longer covered by the ordinance, the planners could consider only the impact of truck trips related directly to the crushing operation itself, not the rest of the gravel extraction operation.

The Planning Board is scheduled

to take up the Savage application at its regular meeting on Jan. 9.

Cell phone tower

At that same meeting, planners are also expected to take up an application of special concern to residents of the eastern part of town: a proposed tower to service cellular and PCS (personal communications services) devices.

In this case the town does have specific regulations in place governing such sites, regulations that did not exist at the beginning of the year.

Following a proposal in May (later withdrawn) to construct a 190-foot tower off the Bailey Road, the Planning Board decided it was time for the town to draw up such rules, especially in light of the likely increase in applications for cell towers.

A team, led by Bailey Road resident Sara Tucker, drafted a cell tower ordinance, based in large part on the ordinance in place in nearby Coos County, N.H.

The ordinance was readily ap-

proved at the special Town Meeting in December.

Specifics of the latest cell-tower plan had not been submitted by year's end.

Two on appeal

Yet another plan for a new sort of development in the outlying areas of town was approved by the Planning Board but is being challenged at the Appeals Board level.

In September, planners approved the site plan application for the Angevine Park swimming and recreation area off the North Road.

But neighbors Bob and Cynthia Laux appealed the decision, arguing that the visual screening called for was inadequate. They also cited the possibility of the new pond affecting the water level in their own existing pond, only a short distance away.

The Appeals Board took up the matter in late November but remanded the application to the Planning Board for more information on the decision-making leading to its findings.

Economically, we're still holding on

"We're in pretty good shape for the shape we're in," said Robin Zinchuk, executive director for the Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce.

That less-than-ringing assessment pretty much sums up the past year's overall economic impact here.

Despite a national recession, a growing number of plant closings — especially in the wood-products industry — and the economic disruption wrought by the tragedies of Sept. 11, the Bethel area economy pretty much kept on keeping on.

Some new businesses did manage to open over the past year, Zinchuk said, and few here were forced to close their doors.

Forest products

The picture was bleakest in the forest-products industry, which has been battered by both the national economic slowdown and by lower priced foreign competition.

Locally, approximately 50 employees of the Saunders Bros. mill in Locke Mills learned in November that the mill would be shutting down shortly after the beginning of the new year.

And in December, Penley Corporation in West Paris announced it would lay off 39 of its 54 workers this month, and discontinue production in the sawmill and clothes-pin mill.

Earlier in the year, the American Tissue pulp and paper mill in nearby Berlin, N.H. closed, putting more than 800 employees out of work.

The future of the large mill is uncertain, and is likely to be determined by a bankruptcy hearing set for later this month.

In November, another 60 people, this time at Cornwall Woods Products in Norway, were told their company was closing.

But not all the news on the forest-products front was as bleak.

Early in the year, J.A. Thurston closed its mill in West Bethel, but in November the mill was purchased by a Massachusetts manufacturer of high-end furniture reproductions.

Eldred Wheeler Co. of Hingham plans to use it for light assembly and manufacture, according to a company spokesman.

And at the nearby Bethel Furniture Stock, a new Danish high-tech pre-compression process was up and running.

BFS is the first company to use the process, which allows wood to be bent into previously impossible

shapes. BFS owner Leon Favreau said the company plans to use the process to create a new niche for itself — helping to counter heavy competition from countries such as China.

On and off the slopes

The big news in the local ski scene was the departure of Les Otten as chairman and CEO of the American Skiing Company.

Otten, who built Sunday River Ski Resort into one of the East's major ski areas, and then used that leverage to create ASC, stepped down in March as the company's chairman and chief executive officer.

His departure was one of many changes in the executive ranks at ASC, which continued at year's end to report large financial losses, despite various financial restructurings, an attempted merger, and the sale of Sugarbush Resort in Vermont.

The company's stock, which was priced at \$18 a share when ASC went public in 1996, began 2001 trading in the \$1.50 range. By year's end its value was one-third that.

At ASC's local ski area, Sunday River, officials announced at the end of the past ski season that the resort had had "a great season" — and that it was laying off about 5 percent of its full-time, year-round work force, and cutting the hours or year-round status of others.

Company officials refused to link the cutbacks to the parent company's financial straits, saying instead that they were needed to better position the resort for the future.

At Mt. Abram Ski Area in Locke Mills, owners Josh and Susan Burns, reported their first year had also been a success. They credited good snow and a great staff.

Diversifying the base

The summer tourism season was solid if not spectacular, according to the Chamber's Zinchuk.

She credited new events such as the Maine Forest Rally and classic car tours with helping to keep the numbers here up during the warm months.

Some numbers, however, were down. National Training Laboratories reported that 10 percent fewer participants came to its Bethel campus in 2001.

NTL attributed the drop-off — which impacted many in-town businesses — to the weakening national economy.

Plenty of snow, but not enough water

Mother Nature provided Bethel with good coverage in 2001 — in late winter and early spring the area was blanketed by heavy snows, and come summer local farm fields were covered with voracious army worms.

The winter of 2001 made up for several seasons of little snow, caused in part by the effects of El Nino and La Nina. By contrast, last season's storms provided regular dumpings of snow throughout the winter, to the delight of skiers and

snowmobilers.

Winter lingered on into late April, forcing spring sports teams to practice amid the snowbanks. The deer population suffered from the deep and prolonged snow, and it showed during hunting season, when the kill was down about a third.

July brought a new cover to the ground. An invasion of army "worms" — actually green caterpillars — arrived to plague farmers' hayfields. The caterpillars are annual visitors, but last year's colo-

nies were the worst in more than a decade.

Several area farmers lost one of the summer's hay crops to the night-feeding insects, which eat the blades and heads of the grass.

By late summer, with the past winter's snows a fading memory, area residents were dealing with a shortage of precipitation. Dry conditions caused many dug wells to dry up, and residents were forced to carry water and/or dig new wells.

'With me hitting him over the head with a shovel, he's probably not too happy.'

LEON DUNN, on a moose who preferred snowmobile trails to the deep snow of the woods. The moose had charged Dunn.

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Lands, dam preserved

In 2001 area towns and preservation organizations were again busy trying to balance economic needs with the desire to conserve unique natural lands.

In February, the Mahoosuc Land Trust purchased a 4.5-acre parcel of land next to its Gateway property, just east of Bethel Village on Route 26.

The piece, known as the Gateway Extension, further protects the 14-acre Gateway, which affords a scenic view of the area to motorists approaching Bethel.

Not far from the Gateway is the Pathway, a piece of land adjacent to the Androscoggin River that was donated to the town by the developers of Bethel Station. A paved recreational path along the river was completed late in the summer. It quickly became a popular attraction for walkers, cyclists and joggers.

At the very end of the year, MLT purchased a five-acre parcel at the confluence of the Bear and Androscoggin rivers, to be used as a canoe access point. It will fit in with the trust's overall plan to create a canoe trail along the Androscoggin, announced earlier in the year.

But not all such efforts were successful. An attempt by landowner Roy Newton and the state to agree on a purchase price for Newton's 385-acre Frenchman's Hole property failed in April. Newton then put the land, located in Riley, on the private market, where it remains at an asking price of \$450,000.

Many area residents had hoped the Bureau of Parks and Lands could buy the parcel to protect it for public use. It includes a popular swimming hole, for which it is named.

In nearby Newry, townspeople voted to raise \$10,000 to fix erosion sites in the Sunday River Valley. A survey of the river valley had revealed 181 sites where erosion was a problem. They were located along roads, on agricultural lands and on the river banks.

In October, voters in Greenwood approved taking ownership of the Gilbert dam. The acquisition will protect several ponds held back by the dam, including Round, North and South ponds.

New leaders, plans at Telstar, Gould

New faces at the top and new projects on the horizon were a common theme at both Bethel high schools in 2001.

As he had announced a year before, Gould Academy Headmaster Bill Clough retired after 18 years at the helm of the private school. He was replaced by Dan Kunkle, who came to Bethel from the Midland School in Santa Ynez, Calif.

In July, Telstar High School Principal Patrick O'Neill resigned unexpectedly after only one year in the position. O'Neill, who had been hired to replace retiring Principal Ted Davis, left Telstar to take over the principalship of Lewiston High School.

On the heels of his resignation, SAD44 announced the hiring of David Murphy, who had served as an elementary school principal in the district for many years.

Building projects
2001 brought serious discussion of several large facilities improvement projects for SAD44. A School Board study committee proposed renovating the Telstar complex and the former Ethel Bisbee School, with a plan to move the superintendent's office to EBS. The move would free up space for classrooms at Telstar.

Several SAD44 building improvement projects, totaling \$3 million, will be voted on in 2002.

Other proposals included renovating the school's auditorium and building a new track. A new transportation garage would also be built on the site, to replace the old garage near Bethel Village.

The board then added to the plan a proposal to extend Bethel sewer and water lines to the school.

Telstar had experienced problems last spring in drawing enough water to serve the school from its old well. Since then, the district has instituted measures to ensure the most efficient use of water, and the effort appears to be working, officials said.

The district expects to hold a referendum on the issues in the spring. If all the projects were to be approved, the total cost would be around \$3 million, including funding provided by the state and grant money.

Sixth-graders at TMS
In October, directors voted to bring all sixth-graders to Telstar Middle School, ending the option for Andover parents to keep their children at the Andover Elementary School for an extra year. The move came over the objections of a group of Andover parents.

The board took the first of two required votes on the question in September. Two votes are required to change a policy. After the initial approval, the parents raised their objections, saying they wanted to preserve their option to send their children to AES.

Directors held firm, however, making the change official in their second vote. At Gould, work got under way on the new McLaughlin Science Center building. It is scheduled to open for the 2002-2003 school year.

On a sad note, the Gould family lost senior Brad Cunningham of Waitsfield, Vt., to a skiing accident at Sunday River Ski Resort.

Local athletes excel

The year 2001 saw several memorable individual achievements by Bethel area athletes.

Gould alumni Marty Odlin brought home the Junior World Moguls Championship from the Czech Republic, and Gould senior Thomas Parsons won the Boardercross Championship in the USASA Snowboarding National Championships at Mammoth Mountain, Calif.

Odlin's win gave him a spot on the U.S. Freestyle Ski Team.

Both young men were continuing their competition this season, but Odlin was recently sidelined by a serious knee injury while training for a U.S. Olympic Team qualifying competition. He will not be able to take part in the tryouts.

A Gould staff member, David Chamberlain, qualified for membership on the U.S. World Championship Cross-Country Ski team. At year's end, he was ranked ninth nationally under the USSA point system, and was scheduled to compete in the U.S. Olympic Team tryouts in Bozeman, Mont., in early January.

Gould sophomore Zeke Davisson won the overall (skimeister) top honor in the New England Prep School Championships, held at Sunday River.

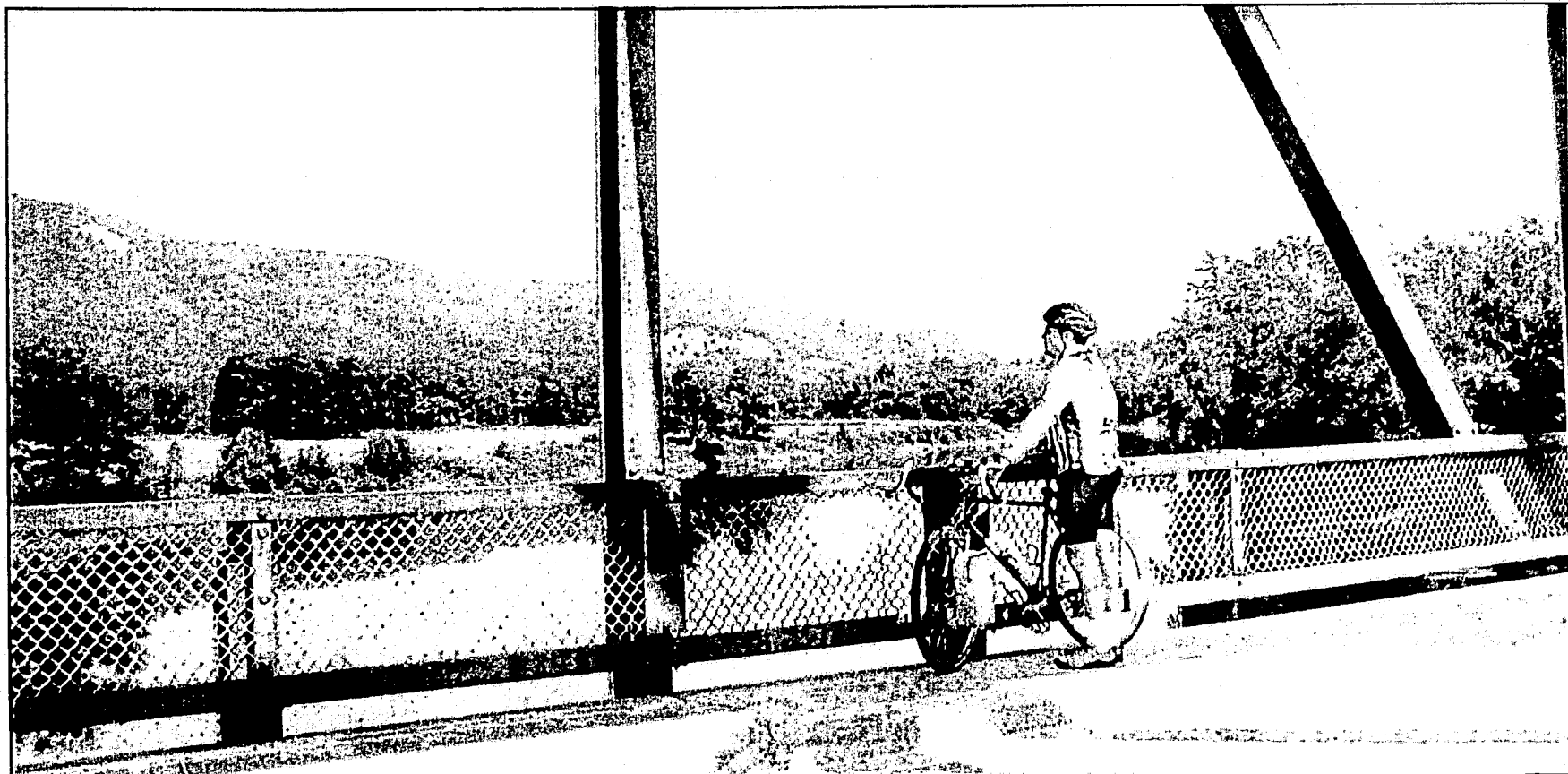
Telstar athletes also posted some strong individual performances. Senior Anna Willard capped her high school cross-country running career this fall with a state Class D Championship. She also competed in the Junior Olympic National Cross-Country Championship in Nebraska, finishing with a time that placed her fourth overall nationally.

Last winter, Telstar's Stephanie Vaughan finished her high school skiing career by winning, for the third year, both the Giant Slalom and Slalom championships in Class A.

In the spring, Josh Aylward, a junior pitcher for the Rebel varsity baseball team, threw a perfect game, in a 13-0 win over Mountain Valley.

Another junior, Katie Wight, won the state Class C track title in the 400- and 200-meter races. She went on to be the top Maine finisher (in 10th place) in the New England Track & Field Championships. She also set a school record in the event.

And although they did not win any titles, the Telstar boys' varsity basketball team did something its predecessors hadn't done in 15 years. The squad went to a playoff game at the Augusta Civic Center.



MORE CYCLISTS ARE SPINNING FOR BETHEL
Bicycling, both on and off the road, is becoming an increasingly important part of the summer recreational-business mix. The trend got a boost in September, with the announcement that Bethel has been selected as the site of the 14th annual Maine Bike Rally. The July event is expected to attract between 250 and 300 cyclists. Here, a cyclist enjoys the view from the bridge over the Androscoggin River in Rumford Point.
(Photo by Michael Daniels)

The Way I See It

by Sharon Bouchard

Sharon Bouchard's column is published by special arrangement with the Advertising Department of this newspaper.

IT'S BACK! I hope all you skiers, snowmobilers, tubers, boarders, sledgers and ice fisher-people are happy. Winter's back and the rest of us who don't participate in winter activities and who don't like the cold are miserable.

It's not just the freezing arctic temperatures icing the blood in my veins, it's not just the blizzards that dump a million inches of snow in my driveway, it's not even the freezing rain turning the whole state into a crystallized rotunda that gets me down. It's everything about winter that makes me want to hibernate until May.

Think about the cold. What good is it other than keeping the black flies and mosquitoes under control? You have to wear big bulky coats, long johns, sweaters, extra socks, flannels, hats, earmuffs and mittens; and that's just to go to bed. Your bones creak, your joints ache, your skin dries out and flakes and your body gets all lumpy from goose bumps.

Then there are the fuel bills. By the time winter is over, the oilman and I will be on a first name basis. I'll end up knowing the names of his kids and their birthdays. And have you ever noticed that once you're way over budget on the oil bill the furnace will break down? It will happen on the coldest night of the year just when you're getting ready to go to bed. And of course you have to deal with it or you will wake up to frozen pipes. It never fails!

As for snow and ice, I can't think of one decent thing to say. Oh sure, I guess you can point out that it is beautiful after a snow or ice storm, but if I want to appreciate that kind of beauty, I'll look at the calendar the oilman gave me.

I certainly don't see anything beautiful about the white-knuckle driving caused by the road conditions when Mother Nature decides to beautify the landscape. I swear she must be suffering from PMS every time it storms.

If it's bad enough to close schools, it should be bad enough to close work. But NO, it doesn't happen that way.

There might be some people who like driving in that kind of crap, but they're either sick-minded psychopaths or out-of-state skiers who don't know any better. I don't fall into either category. I get nervous at the first sight of a snowflake and by the time there is an inch of snow on the ground I am a wreck. And without a doubt, when there is a major storm, I will have to go somewhere that I just can't get out of, like work.

If it's bad enough to close the schools, it should be bad enough to close work. But NO, it doesn't happen that way. Instead, I have to bundle up and shovel the driveway, which I always finish just in time for the snowplow to go by and bury me so I can shovel all over again.

Then once I'm on the road the fun begins. It's bad enough that I should be on the road in a state of panic, but there's all those other drivers in the same state I'm in. It's easy to recognize who we are; we're the ones going 5 M.P.H. with our hands frozen to the wheel and a look of horror on our pale faces. Don't come near us because we'll probably go into a skid and none of us are sure if we are supposed to steer into a skid or away from it, so we usually just put our hand over our eyes and hit the brakes.

You people who plow driveways, you know who we are, we're the ones laying on our horns, a scream frozen on our lips, our cars headed for the snow bank as you back your plow truck out in front of

us. Why don't you plow in the middle of the night like the towns do?

Once us white-knuckle drivers get to our destinations it takes a while for us to get our hearts under control and pry our fingers from the steering wheel. It's really stupid to make us work on days like these. Once we're at work we spend the entire day looking out the window and worrying about how we're going to get home. That's not exactly productive, so our bosses should just let us stay home when it storms. The folks plowing driveways would certainly be grateful.

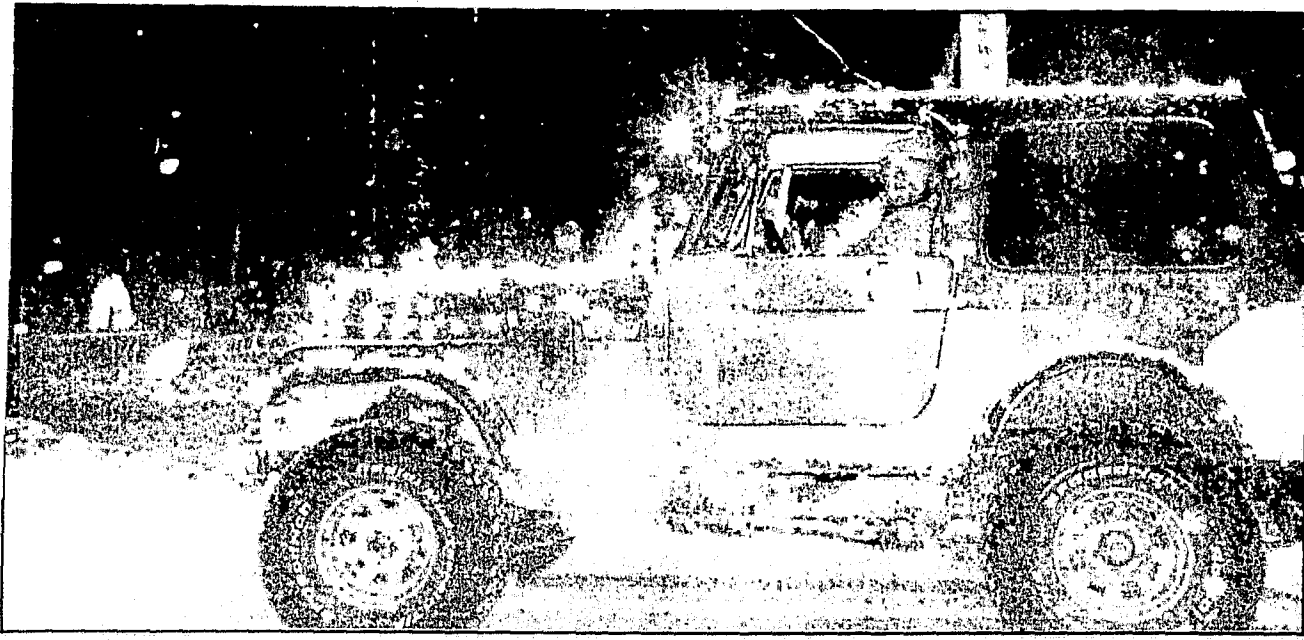
Another problem with winter weather is trying to keep the floors clean - forget it! When it isn't snow being tracked in to melt all over the clean floors, it's sand. Sometimes it's snow and sand. Sometimes it's the snow, sand and mud. Give it up until spring. You can't win. You can ask people to take their boots off, but if their feet stink, you've got another problem.

So let's analyze what we're dealing with for all you winter lovers. Winter is messy, cold and dangerous. Fuel and electric bills go soaring costing us a bigger percentage of our paychecks. The roads are dangerous to drive on causing accidents and costing more money. Every year everyone has to buy some or several items of winter clothing costing yet more money. People get more colds and flus costing even more money. One has to feel that Mother Nature is in cahoots with big business.

So, what is good about winter? The way I see it, the only good thing there is about it, is that it will eventually end. Until then, I think I will just wrap myself up in a blanket and hibernate until the robins return from wherever the heck it is they go. I ask again - winter! What good is it?

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WELCOME TO 2002—More than 700 people purchased buttons for the affair, and other people turned out to enjoy the "un-buttoned" attractions at the fourth annual New Year's Bethel. Left, Kim Twitchell of

Bryant Pond rolls brightly along in the Lighted Vehicle Parade. Right, young and old enjoy an old-fashioned marshmallow roast on the Common. (Photos by Michael Daniels)

Bethel



by Virginia Keniston
Arlene Lowell suffered a broken ankle and received facial abrasions in a fall on ice at her home on New Year's Day.

Bud and Mary Paine's family had Christmas at Lexington, Mass., with Mike and Sarah Lawthers. Other guests were Dick and Cindy Paine of Keene, N.H., Jamie Paine of Exeter, N.H., Jeff and Amy Collins and family of Exeter, N.H., and Barbara Lawthers.

Bob and Ginny Keniston waited until Saturday to enjoy their annual Christmas family gathering. Attending were Glenn and Martha Bangs of Dresden; Deanne and Jeremy Witt of Meredith, N.H.; Glenn and Julie Bangs of South Paris with daughters Kalyann, Abby and Maddy; Lennie and Becky Shaw, Jon and Jen from Bethel; Ted and Rachel McKnight from Jericho, Vt.; Darrel and Josie Hannan from Winooski, Vt.; Dave and Jodie Keniston from Norway; Heath and Karolann Keniston from South Paris; Heather and Areyu Keniston from Mechanic Falls; Peter and Stacey Keniston, Elise and Sarah from Turner. Missing was Jonathan Bangs of Seattle, Wash. It was a full house to say the least.

All activities of New Year's Bethel 2002 were again outstanding and thoroughly enjoyed by many people, both local and from out of town.

Pauline and Lindley Wieden were with their son Stephen and family in Windham at Christmas this year.

On the weekend of the 29th and 30th, the Wiedens were hosts to their daughter, Catherine Sands, and their granddaughter, Amber Sands, of Dover-Foxcroft and Berwick respectively. Also visiting were their daughter and her husband, Cynthia and Richard Paine of Keene, N.H.

Please call me with your news (824-2661).

Sunday River Valley



by Rockie Graham
Sorry to have missed last week's column — too many things going on at once.

The holidays and the year will have all passed by the time you read this column. I'm planning on attending New Year's Bethel. I hope to see everyone there. It is always a fun night. I'm especially excited to see Inca Son. They were at Telstar and were quite enjoyable. Of course, I'll try and limit my marshmallow intake, if I can.

Traffic on the road has been increasing all week. Unfortunately, so have the accidents. The Sun Journal doesn't seem to cover them, but I have more than once been caught in bumper-to-bumper traffic waiting for ambulances and tow trucks to pass. The good part is that businesses all seem to be doing well.

Along that line, at long last, Liam's has opened. Run by Will Crafty, Andrew Bradshaw and Cindy Lockwood, the restaurant has been hopping. I bought a pizza there, for a friend, and it was a suc-

cess. Everything I've heard has been positive. Good luck. David and Anne (Liming) Webb were at the Liming house last week. The house has been occupied more than it used to be. That is great to see. I like to have neighbors, even if they aren't here all the time.

Have had several rental cars while waiting for the other guy's insurance company to settle my claim. Right now I'm driving a Ford Explorer. Not great on gas, but roomy and it has 4-wheel drive. Pretty fancy for me. They tried to keep me in a Dodge Intrepid, but I was insistent and finally got something decent. Have to go looking even though I can't buy anything until the settlement comes through. I want to send thanks to Tim and Leanne for the info on their Jeep. I may consider once I know how much money I have to play with.

Hanover



by Clem Worcester
Happy New Year news. A two-year saga that began at Howard Pond and spread to

Hanover Village may have come to an end with 2001. Howie, the original gift rooster, passed away near the end of the year. He was the victim of a weasel that found its way into the Ira Brown barn at Plumbago Mountain Farm where Howie had lived since being donated to a cottage owner. During the two years perhaps two-dozen roosters had been delivered, to unsuspecting property owners. Last summer, someone unknown renamed Hanover Village with a sign designating the town as "Rooster-ville." The professionally prepared sign soon came down one night, reportedly by "locals." Meanwhile, reports indicate that seasonal and

full-time residents had grown tired of the "child-like pranks."

A lot of folks, who now live away, were in the area to help celebrate the holidays. Among them were Jenny and Matt Tirrell, Brad and Daran Worcester, Ed and Debbie Fortin, as well as Jay and Elmer Lyons. Some traveled away to visit relatives, including Chris and Mary Howe who went to Vermont. Bob and Maryann Dragoon came home for Christmas only to have Bob spend the holiday under the weather in bed.

Anne Wheeler from Austin, Texas and her son were at their Howard Pond home for the holidays.

Slick roads on Christmas Eve were a contributing factor in a two-car rollover accident on Route 2 near the Alph Powers Road. No serious injuries were reported in the crash that happened when a vehicle passing several slower cars slid on an ice patch and went out of control. Two tow trucks removed the vehicles. Also working at the accident site were Med-Care Ambulance, Rumford Fire Department, Rumford Police and the Oxford County Sheriff's Department.

East Bethel

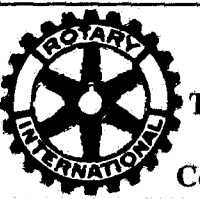


by Nancy Mercer
I hope everyone had a good Christmas. Esther Wilson's family all gathered at The Red

Top for Christmas dinner and tree. Jarrod Crockett was unable to make it home from Ft. Richardson, Alaska.

Craig and Carrie Aube and children of Falmouth and Jill Olson and friend Eric Mills of Oxford had Christmas with Linda and Neil Olson.

Nina Mollicone had Christmas with Priscilla and Marty Jackson in Old Town. Marilyn Mollicone of Augusta, Conrad and Carolyn Grant and Victoria Grant of Winterport, Elise Grant of Laurel, Md., and Alice Grant of Cape Elizabeth were also there for a family Christmas.



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ily with her for Christmas. Her daughter in California called and everyone had a chance to talk with her.

Kyle Curtis and family of East Waterboro visited Donna Curtis on Dec. 22 for a family gathering.

On Dec. 25, Donna Curtis visited her sister in Casco for Christmas.

Daisy Coolidge had Ken Mason with his sons, Kenny and Tony, and Peter and Christen Mason and their son, Kurt, of West Bethel for a family gathering on Dec. 24.

On Dec. 25, Daisy Coolidge had Christmas with Esther Wilson.

Denise and Joel Jackson and daughter of Nashua, N.H., visited Daisy Coolidge on Dec. 30. Denise and her daughter visited Earl Coolidge, also, on Dec. 30.

John and Penny Kittredge entertained Mary Bean, Arthur Hertell, Peter Bean, Monica Bean and her daughter, Chad Bean and friend Arli Harris, and Steve and Pam Wojtysiak of Westbrook for a family Christmas on Dec. 23.

Arthur Hertell and Mary Bean spent the day before Christmas in Rumford with Debbie Hertell and daughter Kristi. On Christmas Day they visited in Auburn with Linda and Michael Hopkins and child.

Danielle Bernier spent the Christmas Holidays visiting a friend in Duluth, Minn.

I hope everyone had a safe and happy New Year.

Mason Township



by Richard Grover
With all the emphasis on patriotism and the U.S. military recently, I've begun

reading the book, "Citizen Soldiers" by Steven Ambrose. This book follows the progress of the front line soldiers and junior officers of the U.S. Army in the European Theater from D-Day to the German Surrender. What surprised me was that American divisions, and hence front line troops, were not rotated in and out of combat for refit and replacements as their

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losses mounted. American divisions and troops remained engaged with the enemy and received replacements, many of whom were largely untrained, as the battles raged. Many American divisions suffered in excess of 200 percent casualties between D-Day (June 6, 1944) and the end of the war, May 7, 1945.

The individual front line troops suffered through mud, misery and hostile fire day after day. By December, due to excessive optimism by the general staffs, American troops were suffering through snow, freezing rain and sub-zero temperatures without adequate winter clothing. The staffs expected the war to be over before winter and failed to take into account the stubborn German defense as the front lines approached the German borders.

American "grunts" found themselves "housed" in two-man foxholes at night within a few meters of an enemy quick to bring down artillery or automatic weapons fire on anyone exposing himself. Their only hope of relief was either the end of the war, a battle injury requiring evacuation or death. The odds of a man surviving combat at the front from D-Day to war's end were slim to nil. This book has given me even greater respect for our older brethren who won the last "Great War."

Mona and I lost our dog, Snuffy, on the evening of Dec. 30. About 4 p.m., I went to the lower end of our cow pasture to cut a hole through the fence to facilitate logging. Snuffy went with me and frolicked off into the woods, as he often does, while I pulled fence staples. Paying little attention to the dog, I finished my job and returned the fence tool to the toolbox in the barn, closed the door and went into the house.

Shortly after supper, we missed Snuffy. I went outside and called and whistled repeatedly. No Snuffy. I then phoned Don and Elsie to inquire whether Snuffy had come to visit their dog, Ginger. No, they hadn't seen him. Mona and I got into the car, drove slowly past all our neighbors and around to Don and Elsie's. They were outside having a bonfire with neighbor campers, the Bunnys and Whipples. The Bunnys had seen Snuffy by their camp shortly before dark, but not since. We also failed to find him anywhere along our Kings Highway road. We went to bed with visions of Snuffy hung up in a brush pile someplace, caught by the choke collar we had forgotten to take off him after our walk.

Next morning, still no Snuffy. I dressed warmly and set out to try to follow his tracks in the crusty snow. After about two and a half hours of slipping back and forth across the brook ice, struggling through fir thickets and steep banks and following dog or coyote tracks through rabbit warrens, I gave up



NEW YEAR, NEW TRUCK
The Woodstock Fire Department's 2002 International pumper truck arrived Dec. 10. The purchase was approved at the March annual Town Meeting. The vehicle, which cost just under \$190,000, replaces a 1966 pumper.

Locke Mills



by Lorraine Larson

My husband said that all of the Locke Mills-Greenwood news was pretty well covered last week and I wouldn't find much to write about, but I usually can find something, not necessarily all that interesting but something.

I hope everyone had a good Christmas. Andy's family certainly had it rough. Norma Peterson was taken to the hospital Saturday with what they thought was a heart attack, but all the tests were negative so then they thought aspiration pneumonia. But she's had two mild heart attacks since she has been in there so now they are not sure. They intend to keep her there over this weekend. In the meantime all her gifts are waiting to be opened.

Sunday night, her daughter-in-law, Ellie, was taken to the hospital with a severe asthma attack brought on by her allergies to trees. (She said next year she plans to have a Charlie Brown tree.) She had planned a big Christmas dinner but she wasn't able to do it, so her daughters, Kathy Perron and Sharon Rubin, along with granddaughters, Debbie and Melissa Perron, put it on and served 16 guests. She says she is much better, but now her husband, Fred Peterson, is down with the "flu." Out of all the older generations, only Fritz at 99 is doing well. You figure.

Ralph Mills has spent the week from Friday to Friday (when I'm writing this) with Andy and me. I cleaned out the bedroom upstairs and took down one of the twin beds (actually Andy did that), so Ralph could bring some things to store and make it "his" room until he's sure what he is going to do and where he's going to be.

Christmas night we visited his Aunt Callie in West Greenwood. Wednesday afternoon we visited with his aunt and uncle, Donald and Marolyn Mills, in West Paris. Marolyn is through her radiation and is looking better. We also got to see Tanya, as she dropped in to see her mother. Wednesday evening, I had the privilege of holding Kaitlyn Colby, who was born Tuesday, Dec. 18, to Carl and Jaime, weighing in at 5 pounds, 13 ounces and 19 inches long. A little bit of difference from Kyle, who was a little over three pounds. She still looks pretty small, but of course, I'm used to eight or nine pounders. She is a beautiful little girl and everyone is pretty pleased with her

and went home for a hot drink. As I moped up the driveway, I had another thought. I opened the barn door, and there he was, ever so happy to see me. I guess he followed me into the barn the previous afternoon and went around behind my truck, hoping for a ride.

Gilead



by Elise Caswell
Happy New Year everybody, from the Bog Road in Gilead all around the globe.

New Year's is a great metaphorical blizzard erasing the past and giving us all a fresh page to write on, a fresh trail to make tracks on, a new beginning filled with the power of hope and unlimited potential. Let's take the only thing we have in this life and make it beautiful — the present moment. Every single one of those moments that come one by one are the seeds of the future and filled with miraculous potential. All we need to do is to be open and receptive to each one to live a life that has power and magic and meaning. Remember, the poet R. Tengel's words, "The butterfly counts not months but moments and has time enough."

Welcome 2002.

North Newry



by Gil Seeley
I want to thank my guardian angels and friends for watching over me and saw to it

that I didn't go without during my homebound period of Dec. 13 to

the end of the month. I love you all and God bless you. I wish you all a very good and happy New Year.

I received a phone call from Norman Tetley a while back. I was very pleased to hear from him. He is doing fine and sends his love to all.

Family and friends celebrated on Christmas Eve at the home of John and Nancy Wight for the Christmas tree and to celebrate Brenda and Nancy Wight's birthdays, which were on Dec. 2 and 17.

Michael Wight from Wisconsin and Terri Littlehale from Virginia are home for the holidays.

Retta Berry, Ed Powers, Terri Littlehale, Mike Wight, Brad, Brenda, Katie, Kurt and Kevin Wight and Mandy Berry were dinner guests of John and Nancy Wight. In the afternoon the family celebrated Retta Berry's and Brad Wight's birthdays, which were on Dec. 26 and 27.

Dani Littlehale, Staci Littlehale of Plymouth, N.H., and Mandy Berry of Boca Raton, Fla., are all home for the holidays.

Upton



by Eleanor LeComte
The year 2002 has arrived in all its glory. 2001 was such an eventful, emotional year

for everyone with Sept. 11 fresh in our minds.

By the appearance of winter in Upton, we are going to get "inched" to death, to quote Sue Angevine.

with her including Kyle, who will be three years old this month. Ralph and I, Carolyn Colby, and Donna Lapham were there, so we all got a chance to visit.

Thursday, Ralph and I were in Oxford shopping and Thursday evening Ralph went to West Greenwood to have pizza with his Aunt Callie and cousin, Brian.

I'm sure all the people in town are pleased that Bob's store sold, only because he deserves to have some time to enjoy himself after all those years. We are glad to welcome the new owners and hope things will go well for them.

Greenwood City



by Colista Morgan
I'll say "Good morning" from a new home today. I'm at the Market Square Health

Home in South Paris. It is a very difficult atmosphere than any other I have ever been in but everyone is friendly. I hope my friends will come to visit me.

I have a very nice roommate, which makes things easier. Right now I'm sitting on my bed to write. It takes me back in memory to the dormitory days of years ago. I have been here a week but still have much to learn.

The humans are leaving for Florida so until spring comes again. Then I hope to meet them again in Greenwood.

Mary Holt came home for Christmas and she came here to visit me — I enjoyed that.
Not much news today.

Albany



by Sheila Dyke
Hope that everyone had a wonderful holiday season. First, I want to apologize to

Sue Durham, who won the afghan in the Albany Congregational Church raffle a couple of weeks ago. I forgot to add her name to the

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(Photo by Michael Daniels)

list of winners.

The Youth Group did not have its weekly meeting on Friday, Dec. 28, as we all went to the Pinhook Meetinghouse for a Hymn Sing. This was only the second time we've attended, and we had a great time making a joyful noise. This is a monthly event, usually happening on the last Friday of the month starting at 7 p.m. All who are interested in attending are more than welcome.

The Albany Congregational Church will hold a Bake Sale on Saturday, Jan. 5, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Bethel Foodliner (IGA). The proceeds from this sale will benefit the Youth Group. Please come to enjoy some wonderful homemade baked foods.

The Youth Group went to see Joy Williams and then a hockey game at the Civic Center in Portland on Saturday, Dec. 29. A great time was had by all.

Sunday School at the Albany Congregational Church begins at 9 a.m., with church services following at 9:30. Daycare, as always, will be provided.

Bible Study will be held at the home of Fernand and Holle Corriveau on Thursday evenings starting at 6:30, with Pastor Ed Gammon giving the lesson.

The Youth Groups will be having their meeting on Fridays starting at 5 p.m. The older kids will begin their meetings at 6 p.m.

Edna York, the organist for the Albany Congregational Church, celebrated her birthday during the last week of December. Unfortunately, no one is really sure how young she is. Edna, we love you and thank you for always keeping us all in tune.

Best wishes for a happy, healthy and joyous New Year.

East Stoneham



by Eleanor Nelson

Hi readers, I've been busy with family so don't have much outside news for you this

week. We hope you all had a good Christmas and will have a very happy and healthy New Year.

Our whole family was home for Christmas, which was wonderful. The girls and their families stayed at Evergreen Valley Inn while here and they enjoyed that very much. Dale and Kitty Nelson had us all over for Christmas dinner, which was delicious and well organized and with pretty little teddy bears with our names at the places. It was good weather and the young ones

enjoyed "tubing." I always called it sliding. Things are called by different names nowadays. Does that date me — or what? One grandson didn't know what "just a dote" was. It always meant to us older ones "just a little." And I bet they didn't know what a "spider" is, and I don't mean the crawly kind. (It is a black fry pan.) You know what, though? I bet they know a lot more than we do about a lot of things. In fact, I know they do, especially computer things.

We all enjoyed Christmas Eve services at North Waterford Church. The Rev. George Frobig always has a good sermon and reminded everyone what Christmas is really all about and what it all means besides the gifts and family gatherings.

Jennifer St. Pierre was again soloist and sang "O Holy Night," which is always special. She has a beautiful singing voice.

Shirley Grant from Mechanic Falls spent a few days with Frances Grant over the Christmas holidays.

I forgot to mention last week that Lee Rugg and Bonnie Taylor were in to visit Al Yemma recently at the Norway Rehab and Living Center. They had a good visit.

I was pleased to learn that my friend, Evelyn Bean, was voted as Volunteer of the Year and was presented with an award from the Tri-Town Rescue Auxiliary. She is from Bryant Pond now and has worked throughout the year with fundraising for Tri-Town Rescue.

Bryant Pond



by Alice Hoyt

Patch the Pirate Club meets each Wednesday evening at 6:30 p.m. at the Baptist Church.

same time as prayer meeting. Sunday services are Sunday School and Adult Bible Fellowship at 9:15 a.m., morning worship at 10:30 a.m., Youth Group at 4:30 p.m., choir practice at 5 p.m. and evening service at 6 p.m. On Sunday, Dec. 23, the program "The Message of Christmas" was presented. It was very good and everyone did a real good job. Jan. 15 is the annual business meeting.

Hope you all had a very Merry Christmas. We did. The Ken Hoyts

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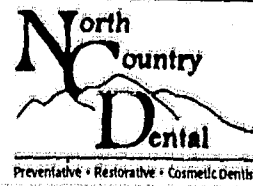
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had 15 family members for dinner and my sister's family plus ours for supper. What a joy when your families all get together.

Senior citizens, the Woodstock-Greenwood Group, will meet today, Jan. 3, at the Town Annex with a potluck dinner. Each one is to bring a dish to share, your own place setting and an item for a silent auction. Dues are due at this meeting.

Judith Grover Tent 17 will meet on Monday, Jan. 14, for installation at the Grange Hall with a tasting party after the meeting.

Franklin Grange 124 will be meeting Jan. 12 with a meeting and potluck. Program is Grange New Year.

The Historical Society has an interesting collection of dresses, uniforms and quilts. It has a dress form of Mrs. Hayes, the president's daughter, and the Grange quilt. The furniture of local author George Allan England is there and some writing of Governor Sidney Perham. There is also a monument for historian William Berry Lapham that was probably never used and they have the obituaries of Hayes, Perham and Captain John Dearborn with some artifacts from Bishop Kinsman. The society meets on Saturday, Jan. 12, at the Town Annex.

South Woodstock



by Andrea Wing

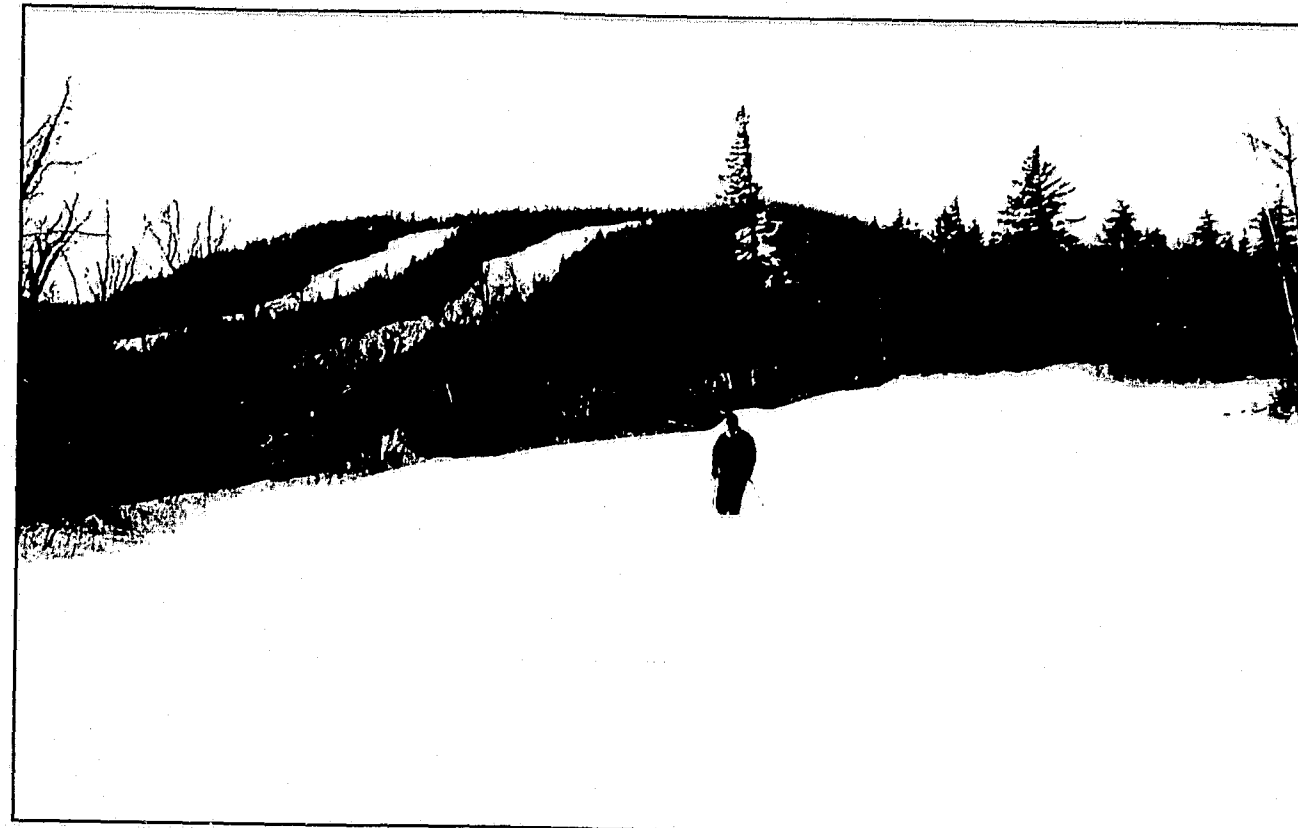
I enjoyed lunch at the Trolley House in Norway with Agricultural Office personnel recently. Nearly 20 attended. Some are still working and some are retired. It was good to see everyone and catch up on news, etc. We had a great time and lunch was delicious.

We were surprised by Christmas carolers one night last week. They were from the Forest Dale School here in South Woodstock.

Lani Bertrum has been here in Maine visiting with her parents, Leon and Rosalie Poland, and other family members. Lani lives in Florida but gets to Maine once in a while.

Tommy Poland had her whole family for Christmas on the Saturday before Christmas. Presents and an abundance of food were served to 33 children, in-laws, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Jo-Anna and Scott Southard flew in from Missouri for the holidays to



SKIER'S DREAM
Skiers who could drag themselves out of bed early New Year's morning had the mountain to themselves at Sunday River Ski Resort. Here, a skier approaches a small rise near the top of the Dreammaker trail.

(Photo by Michael Daniels)

visit with Jo-Anna's parents, Phelps and Joan Poland, and other family members.

Amy and Danny Bru and son, Logan, came from Alabama to join her family for a belated holiday. Amy is the daughter of Phil and Terry Merrill.

Todd, Lynda and Erik Poland made a Christmas trip to Arizona where their daughter, Diana Dunn and husband, John, and two children, Brandon and Jarod, reside. Diana is in the service stationed in Arizona. While they were there, they all called on Dotte Critser, an aunt who lives in Tempe but came from Maine many years ago. They had a nice visit.

Our son, Rick Wing, and wife, Sally, Ryan and Doug Wing, Wes, Tony and Troy Smith spent Christmas Eve at our home. We had a tree and refreshments and a good time visiting.

On Christmas night, Richard and I went down to our daughter Kellie Record's home for presents and goodies. Several other family members from both sides attended. Our great-grandson, Zachary Lynch, handed out the presents to each one. He is almost three years old and was having a ball dressed in his Santa suit.

We received our annual letter from Bob Lisante who lives in North Dakota. He works for the Soil Conservation Service there. It's always good to hear from him each year. He said he'll be retiring Oct. 1, 2002.

Sympathy to the family and

friends of Margaret Nangle who died recently.

Also much sympathy to the children and family of Jean Pierce who died this past week. She will be greatly missed.

Happy birthday to those celebrating in the first month of the New Year 2002, Ann Long, Jame Chandler, James Gallagher, Vic Hart, Lisa Mack, Todd Poland, Stacy Tilley, Matt Moore, Jim Mason Sr., Elmer Waterhouse, Kendall Hill. A special birthday wish to my great-nephew, Brandon Dunn, who now lives in Arizona. Anniversary wishes go out to Leslie and Patty Thurlow. Happy New Year to you all.

Every year at this time, I always think of my brother, Gerald Poland, who died in World War II in the Battle of the Bulge. He died on Jan. 6, 1945, and he was only 19 years old.

Quote of the Week: "I've learned that it is better to ask some of the questions than to know all the answers."

West Paris



by Bertha DeHaas

Greetings friends, I hope you all had a safe and Merry Christmas and all have a happy and healthy New Year. This year was a difficult one in many differ-

ent ways, with several deaths in the family and not very good health. It is to be hoped that 2002 will be a better year.

On the national front, it has been a horrendous year, beginning with Sept. 11 and the terrorist attacks in New York City and Washington, D.C. Our prayers are with the families of the victims of these atrocities and hope next year will be better. Also, hope the perpetrators of all this will not only be caught, but brought to justice.

Due to the storm last week, the Greybeards Senior Citizens Group of the West Paris Baptist Church canceled their monthly dinner. Hope for a good day on Tuesday at noon.

West Paris Grange 298 held their Christmas party this last Thursday night at 7 p.m. at their hall on Church Street.

On the evening of Sunday, Dec. 16, there was a Christmas Cantata presented at the West Paris Baptist Church. Taking part were choir members from West Paris Baptist Church, West Paris Congregational Church, Paris Hill Baptist Church and Perkins Valley Seventh Day Adventist Church.

Tuesday evening, Dec. 24, saw a tremendous amount of special activity in all our area churches including Christmas Eve services at the West Paris Congregational Church at 5:30 p.m., the West Paris Universalist-Unitarian Church at 6 p.m. and the West Paris Baptist Church at 7 p.m. The Baptist Church program was under the

direction of Mrs. Cheryl Broberg-Bacon. Thanks to all of the people who participated and also those who attended.

As we are having school vacation, watch out for the youngsters trying out their new sleds, skates, etc., especially at dusk when it is so very hard to see.

Happy New Year and see you all next year.

West Paris



by Miriam Inman

The Historical Society members held their meeting on Monday, Dec. 17, with a gift exchange followed by refreshments. They will not have any meetings until April.

Goodwill Fellowship met with Nancy Willard for their Christmas meeting. Gifts were exchanged and refreshments enjoyed.

The Universalist Church Christmas supper was well attended. Santa came after supper as a treat for the children. There were presents for all and popcorn and candy. A beautiful tree was again furnished by Albert Penley — what a tradition the Penley family has started! Carols were sung, accompanied by Jim Burke.

The candle lighting took place on Christmas Eve. We were very sorry

that we had a previous engagement and weren't able to attend.

Vance and Connie Bacon attended a family gathering in Oxford.

Wendy and Bill Hayes spent Christmas with her mother, Joyce Lamb.

One of the best presents that the Inman family received was having Vern home for Christmas. After having been in Kosovo, he is now stationed in Germany with the Combat Engineers. Just before he came home he received an award as Soldier of the Month in his battalion.

Vern and I enjoyed having Christmas in North Conway with daughter Vicky and family, Sandy, Brant and Caroline.

Peggy Lamb spent several days with her mother, Joyce Lamb.

From the Bethel Historical Society's Regional History Center

The 2001 Annual Fund Campaign of the Bethel Historical Society has raised over \$20,000 from over 370 donors. Both totals represent all-time records. Among those making the most recent gifts were: Herbert and Ruth Kittredge, Hanover, in memory of Harold Rolfe; Catherine Canavan, Cool, Calif.; Frances Dunn, Damariscotta; Donald and Eleanor Brooks, Bethel; Clara H. Thurston, Fryeburg; Marian Gates, Ann Arbor, Mich., in memory of F. H. Penley; Joan S. Goodhue, Atlanta, Ga.; Chandler Briggs, South Paris, in memory of Anna Briggs; Albert H. Taylor, Cumberland Center; Edward V. Bush, Bourne, Mass., in memory of Catherine Lyon Bush; Jeremiah and Pamela Goben, Syracuse, N.Y., in memory of Mildred C. Thomas; Will and Mary Leland, Berkeley Heights, N.J.; Eunice Powell, Hanover; ExxonMobil Volunteer Involvement Program, Princeton, N.J., in honor of Walter Hatch; H. Merrill Luthie, Portland; Dexter and Janet Stowell, Bethel; Kristin Wiese-Adelman, Rollinsford, N.H., in memory of Joan T. Wiese; Al and Lee Barth, Bethel; Rebecca Kendall, Bethel; Dale and Barbara Lapham, Hanover; Geneva J. McCoy, Gilead, in memory of Samuel F. McCoy; Josiah and Joanna Drummond, Bethel; Marvin and Tineke Ouwinga, Bethel, in

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Over twelve hundred members strong, the Bethel Historical Society, founded in 1966, is western Maine's largest and most comprehensive full-time historical agency, dedicated to collecting, preserving and interpreting the regional past for present and future generations. During the past thirty-five years, the Society's activities have included lectures, exhibits, special events, heritage festivals, workshops, conferences, school and educational programs, and publications. Since 1974, the society has operated from its Broad Street headquarters, the Dr. Moses Mason House, a period house museum and research library. In 1999, it opened the O'Neil Robinson House (next door) to the public for an expanded exhibit program, museum shop space and administrative offices. Through the years, the society's achievements have been recognized by a number of state and national organizations.

From the

Bethel Rotary Club

This week in Rotary there was no meeting due to the holidays. Meetings will commence on Tuesday, Jan. 8, at The Bethel Inn and Country Club.

One of the most visual identifiers of Rotary is its gearwheel emblem.

How did it come about? Rotary International's early emblem was a simple wagon wheel (in motion with dust). It was designed in 1905 by Montague M. Bear, a member of the Rotary Club of Chicago, who was an engraver. He designed the emblem to represent both civilization and movement. Most of the early Rotary clubs adopted the wheel in one form or another. In 1922, the organization decided to create and preserve an emblem for the exclusive use of all Rotarians, and the following year the present emblem of a gearwheel with 24 cogs and six spokes was adopted. A keyway was added to signify the usefulness of the gearwheel. An official description of the emblem was adopted at the 1929 International Convention. Royal blue and gold were chosen as the official Rotary colors and the flag of Rotary was designated as a white field with the emblem emblazoned in its center. The emblem, worn as a lapel pin, now identifies Rotarians around the world. www.rotary.org

Happy January birthday to Mike Liberti, Jim Monahan and Dave Nivus.

2002 event dates set include Rotary Auction June 22 and Rotary Golf Tournament June 24.

We wish you all a safe, healthy, and terrific 2002.

Notes from

SAD44 Adult Ed

The Adult Education classes sponsored by SAD44 beginning during the week of Jan. 7 include **Microsoft Office: Beginning Word** on Mondays from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. for three weeks at Telstar, **Basic Level English as a Second Language** on Mondays from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the Adult Learning Center, **Expression** on Mondays from 6:30 to 8 p.m. for five weeks at the Andover School, **Chicken Soup for the Soul** on Mondays from 5 to 7 p.m. for six weeks at Telstar, **Basic Sewing** on Mondays from 6:30 to 9 p.m. for six weeks at Telstar, **Intermediate Computers** on Tuesdays for five weeks from 4 to 6 p.m. at Crescent Park School, **Parent Effectiveness in Resolving Conflict** on Tuesdays for six weeks from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the office of instructor Wayne Duplessis at the Norway Savings Bank Building in Bethel, **Pilates** on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6 to 7 p.m. at Telstar, **Open Weight Room** from 7 to 8:30 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays at Tel-

star, **On Dreams and Dreaming** on Tuesdays from 6 to 8:30 p.m. for six weeks at Telstar, **Advanced English as a Second Language** on Wednesdays from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the Adult Learning Center, **Creating Creatures in Paper Mache** on Wednesdays from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. for three weeks at Telstar, **Quick Books** on Wednesdays for six weeks from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the Adult Learning Center, **Introduction to Computers** on Wednesdays for six weeks from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Andover School, **Surfing for Seniors** on Thursdays for three weeks from 4 to 6 p.m. at Crescent Park School, **Digital Devices** on Thursdays for five weeks from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. at the Adult Learning Center, **Introduction to Word Processing** on Thursdays for six weeks from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Andover School, **First Aid** on Thursdays from 6 to 10 p.m. for two weeks at the Bethel Family Health Center, **Introduction to Computers** on Fridays for four weeks from 9 a.m. to noon at the Adult Learning Center.

Nat'l electric code update

A 15-hour course in 2002 National Electric Code Update will be offered for electricians seeking to renew their licenses and will be held on Saturdays, Jan. 19 and 26 from 8 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. each day at Telstar Regional High School. The instructor is Ray Mitchell who teaches a similar course at Southern Maine Technical College. The course is sponsored by SAD44 Adult Education and the fee is \$80.

For class details, or to register, call the Adult Education Office, 824-2780. Messages or course registrations may be left on the answering machine during hours the office is not open. Course guides are available at school and community locations.

From the

Oxford County Democrats

The Oxford County Democrats will hold a supper meeting on Wednesday, Jan. 9, at the Eagles Hall, 13 Oxford Avenue, Rumford, beginning at 6 p.m. The featured speaker will be U.S. Senate Candidate Chellie Pingree. Second District Congressional Candidates Michael Michaud, Kaleigh Tara, Susan Longley, David Costello and Lori Handrahan will be present and will offer remarks. Representatives of Second District Candidates John Nutting and Sean Faircloth will

also be present. The supper menu will consist of beef stew, rolls, pie and beverage, priced at \$3.

Business items to be taken up following the supper and candidate remarks will include planning for the Feb. 10 caucuses including scheduling of some caucuses on a regional basis. Several legislative candidates, including Democratic incumbents Rep. John Patrick of Rumford, Rep. Bruce Bryant of Dixfield, and Rep. Rosita Gagne of Buckfield, will be on the ballot this year, and the candidate recruitment committee is working hard to secure candidates for all offices. Joseph Derouche of Mexico, recently honored by FAME for his successful economic development projects in the Rumford/Mexico area, has announced his intention to seek the Senate seat for that area.

The meeting is open to all Democrats and others interested. Anyone interested in being involved with any of the upcoming campaigns may contact Oxford County Democratic Chairperson Cathy Newell at 875-2116.

From the

Oxford County Republicans

State Rep. William Schneider (R-Durham), Assistant Republican Leader in the Maine House of Representatives, was the featured speaker at the December meeting of the Oxford County Republican Committee held at the Norway Congregational Church. After a delicious ham dinner, prepared by the Hannibal Hamlin Republican Women's Club, Rep. Schneider outlined the urgent need for Republicans to take back the Maine Legislature in 2002. He described efforts by the Republican leadership to recruit quality candidates for each House seat. The deficit is expected to be over \$200 million this session, which will have to be dealt with by finding the funds to cover the overspending and making necessary cuts. During the years of rising revenue in the 1990s, legislative Democrats refused to save money in preparation for the days when there was a downturn in the economy. Consequently, that time has arrived and the state faces daunting shortfalls of income. Another issue that must be faced is the increasing anti-business climate of the state, which has grown worse with continued control of the Maine Legislature by the Democratic Party. Maine is now one of the

most overtaxed states in the Union with one of the highest tax burdens that continues to make it less competitive in attracting business investment. Moreover, workmen's compensation rates are now rising rapidly again, which adds another barrier to economic growth.

Rep. Joseph Bruno (R-Raymond), the Republican House Leader, was also present to introduce Schneider and to emphasize the need to elect Republicans in 2002.

The Lincoln Day Dinner was announced for Feb. 16 at the Bethel Inn with the two Republican gubernatorial candidates as featured speakers.

Republican officeholders introduced were Sen. Norman K. Ferguson (R-Hanover), Rep. Arlan Jodrey (R-Bethel), Rep. Tom Winsor (R-Norway), Rep. Ted Heidrich (R-Oxford), county commissioners Albert "Jim" Carey and Steve Merrill, and Register of Probate Ted Tracy.

The next meeting will be on Jan. 8 at Franklin Grange in Bryant Pond with the meal provided by Tri-Town Rescue. Featured speaker will be County Commissioner Steve Merrill, who will present an update on county government. All area Republicans are urged to attend.

From the

Appalachian Mountain Club

The Appalachian Mountain Club, located in White Mountain National Forest at Pinkham Notch, N.H., was founded in 1876 as a nonprofit conservation and recreation organization with all programs/workshops open to members and non-members alike. It offers hundreds of learning opportunities, including natural history workshops, outdoor skills workshops, leadership training, and a residential school program. Cardigan Lodge, Pinkham Notch Visitor Center and Crawford Notch Hostel provide meals, lodging, educational opportunities and hiking information. For reservations and workshop information, or to join the AMC, call (603) 466-2727 or visit the Web site at www.outdoors.org.

January 2002 programs:
Jan. 5 and 6 — **Snowshoe Map and Compass** outdoor workshop at Pinkham Notch Visitor Center. Participants will be taught the skills needed to snowshoe with map and compass use on a variety of terrain.

Fieldwork and classroom sessions will cover map reading, compass use with and without a map, triangulation, and terrain-reading skills. Compass is provided.

Jan. 5 and 6 — **Planning an Appalachian Trail Thru-Hike** at Pinkham Notch Visitor Center in the White Mountain National Forest. Participants will explore the ups and downs of hiking the 2,100-mile Appalachian Trail with two seasoned thru-hikers. Open discussion, slides, and videos will explore a broad range of topics, including equipment selection, resupplying, trail safety, and the psychology and philosophy of thru-hiking.

Jan. 5 and 6 — **Snowshoeing for Beginners** outdoor workshop at the Pinkham Notch Visitor Center. Participants will be introduced to the basics of winter route-finding, safety, nutrition in addition to being taught the skills needed to snowshoe on a variety of terrain.

Jan. 7-18 — **Wilderness First Responder** workshop at its Pinkham Notch Visitor Center. Designed for outdoor leaders and enthusiasts, the workshop is an intensive 10-day course (with the weekend off) and covers all aspects of emergency medicine, rescue, and leadership. Accident prevention through proper trip planning and equipment selection is stressed throughout the course. The course is taught by the staff of Stonehearth Open Learning Opportunities (SOLO), a leader in wilderness emergency medicine and outdoor leadership training.

Jan. 10-13 — **Pemigewasset Snowshoe and Winter Camping** at the Pinkham Notch Visitor Center. Participants will meet for an indoor evening session to prepare gear and get acquainted. Snowshoeing into the Pemigewasset wilderness in the morning, participants will set up base camp and explore the forest and ridgeline for two days, learning about winter camping skills and snowshoe technique.

Jan. 11-13 — **Introduction to Waterfall Ice Climbing** at the Pinkham Notch Visitor Center. This course is designed for individuals with little or no previous experience with the sport of ice climbing. Participants will learn how to use crampons, and how to self-arrest from any position. Includes all required technical gear. This course is taught by the staff of the International Mountain Climbing School, which is accredited by the American Mountain Guides Association.

Jan. 11-13 — **Dog Sledding and Cross-Country Skiing**, in Bethel. Combine cross-country skiing and

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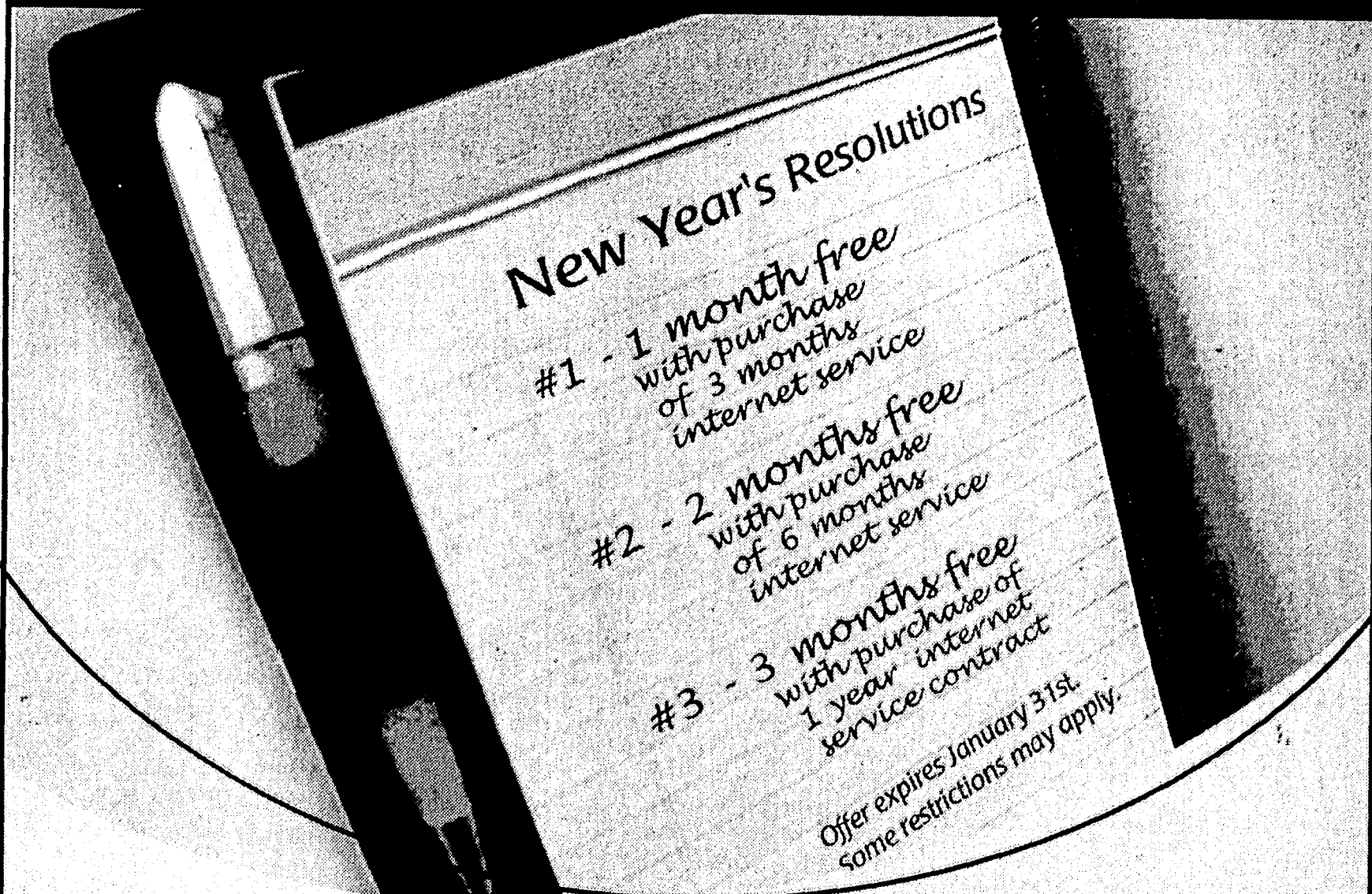
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learn to mush a team of veteran sled dogs from the Yukon and Alaska. Participants will explore the upper reaches of the Rangeley Lakes in winter. Participants will camp in canvas tents with portable wood stoves. Friday night lodging is not included. This course is taught by Kevin Slater of Mahoosuc Guide Service and registered Maine guides.

Jan. 12 — **Telemark Primer** at the Pinkham Notch Visitor Center. This course is for all ability levels. An intensive, one-day session offers a chance to learn or improve intermediate and advanced telemark skiing skills. Telemark equipment experience is suggested (full or 7 metal-edged skis recommended).

Sundays, Jan. 13, 20 and 27 — three outdoor workshops entitled **Guided Hike on Snowshoes** at the Pinkham Notch Visitor Center. Each day-long trip will explore the natural history of the White Mountains. Participants will be taught to snowshoe and travel safely on an outdoor winter trek. Snowshoes will be provided.

Jan. 18-20 — **50+ Cross-Country Skiing for Beginners** at the Pinkham Notch Visitor Center. Participants will be introduced to the fundamentals of equipment, safety, conditioning, and technique.

Jan. 18-20 — **Introduction to Winter Mountaineering/Nichipor** at the Pinkham Notch Visitor Center. Participant will learn the fundamentals of winter hiking and climbing, with a focus on dressing for safety, safe crampon and ice ax techniques and basic rope skills. A climb up the Lion Head Ridge and Mount Washington are planned. Participants should supply their own technical equipment, be in good physical condition, and able to carry a full winter pack. Helmets, harnesses, and ropes are provided. This course is taught by Steve Nichipor, owner and guide of Bartlett Backcountry Adventures.

Jan. 18-20 and Jan. 25-27 — **Alpine Snow and Ice for Beginners**. Both workshops are held at Crawford Notch Hostel. This course is designed for individuals new to the sport of ice and snow climbing. Participants will learn the efficient use of crampons and ice axes on a variety of terrain, as well as how to select appropriate climbs. Both days involve multi-pitch ascents of classic climbs in the Crawford Notch. All technical gear is included. This course is taught by the staff of the International Mountain Climbing School, accredited by the

American Mountain Guides Association.

Jan. 19 — **Introduction to Dog Sledding**, in Denmark. This one-day course is the perfect introduction to mushing, dogs, and sleds. Beginning with an indoor session that will cover some of the sport's history and the mechanics of mushing, then participants will head outdoors to learn the basics.

Jan. 19-20 — **Wilderness First Aid** workshop at Pinkham Notch Visitor Center. Designed for outdoor leaders and enthusiasts, the workshop covers the basics of first aid with lots of hands-on, practical work. Through classroom sessions, basic first aid considerations are covered with a special emphasis on backcountry situations where extended care is necessary. Accident prevention through proper trip planning and equipment selection is stressed throughout the course. This course is taught by the staff of Stoneheart Open Learning Opportunities (SOLO), a leader in wilderness emergency medicine and outdoor leadership training.

Jan. 19-20 and Jan. 26-27 — two outdoor skills workshops entitled **Basics of Winter Mountain Skills I** at the Pinkham Notch Visitor Center. Participants will be introduced to the unique safety concerns encountered in winter mountaineering. The first day will be spent exploring equipment, nutrition, navigation, safety, and emergency bivouacking. Participants must supply their own technical equipment. This course is a prerequisite for Basics of Winter Mountain Skills II.

Jan. 26 — **Curious Naturalists: Weeds, Seeds and Trees** outdoor workshop at Pinkham Notch Visitor Center. Participants will travel on snowshoes identifying trees and shrubs in winter by their twigs and bark. Discover the remains of weeds and wildflowers in a winter landscape. Snowshoes will be supplied.

Jan. 26-27 — **Backcountry Skiing for Beginners** outdoor workshop at Pinkham Notch Visitor Center. Participants will learn to ski over varied terrain on ungroomed roads and trails, and also learn to ski uphill and down. Other topics include equipment, waxing, clothing, and backcountry safety.

Jan. 26-27 — **Advanced Beginner Telemark Skiing** at the Pinkham Notch Visitor Center. This course is for intermediate ability levels. An intensive, two-days skills workshop covers basic telemark skiing to high-end hybrid freeheel techniques.

School Sports

High School Boys' X-C Skiing

Mt. Blue 20, Telstar 25, Leavitt 43, Livermore Falls 68, CHHS 110; Dec. 28—Telstar placed four racers in the top 12 as the Rebels took second behind Mt. Blue. Telstar's John Reuter won the 37-skier Nina Bitterauf Memorial Race at Titcomb in a time of 15:43. Fred Bailey placed fourth (16:12), Brian Zinchuk eighth (16:45) and Joel Doyon 12th (18:30). Other Telstar finishers: 21. Glen Carver (20:42); 25. Peter Poor (22:25); 30. Andy Aloisio (26:20).

High School Girls' X-C Skiing

Mt. Blue 17, Leavitt 27, Telstar 62, Livermore Falls 109; Dec. 28—Telstar's Heather Zimmerman placed fourth (19:39) in a 36-racer field at the Bitterauf Memorial Race at Titcomb. Other Telstar finishers: 7. Sarah Gamble (20:23); 25. Megan Bailey (26:08); 26. Caroline Raymond (26:25).

High School Boys' Alpine Skiing

Telstar 19, Mt. Valley 21, Livermore Falls 60, Cheverus 67; Dec. 31—Telstar's Jay Aloisio placed second (1:00.62) behind winner Brent Gallant of Mt. Valley (1:00.52), while Rebels Travis Brooks (1:01.57) and Adam Largess (1:01.84) finished third and fourth in a giant slalom win at Black Mountain. Dan Morgan completed the Telstar scoring in 10th place (1:06.44) in the 36-skier race. Other Telstar finishers: 18. Andy Aloisio (1:09.87); 19. Mike Brown (1:10.73); 28. Frank Emerson (1:19.23).

Telstar 27, Mt. Blue 35, Edward Little 50, Oxford Hills 59, Mt. Valley 100, Livermore Falls 111, Skowhegan 141, Winthrop 162; Dec. 29—Telstar placed four skiers in the top 16 to win a 73-skier giant slalom race at Black Mountain. The Rebels' Jay Aloisio won the race (49.20), Travis Brooks was fourth (50.18), Jake Largess sixth (51.09) and Mark Hodgkin 16th (54.97). Other Telstar finishers: 29. Adam Largess (57.17); 37. Andy Aloisio (58.29); 41. Dan Morgan (59.73).

High School Girls' Alpine Skiing

Mt. Valley 14, Telstar 35, Jay 43, Livermore Falls 50; Dec. 31—Telstar's Justine Carver was fifth (1:11.07) behind winner Samantha Johnson of Mt. Valley (1:08.07) in a 21-skier giant slalom race at Black Mountain. Other Telstar finishers: 7. Jessica James (1:13.58); 10. Heather Zimmerman (1:18.52); 13. Riley Gilbert (1:20.21).

Mt. Blue 26, Oxford Hills 32, Mt. Valley 52, Edward Little 74, Skowhegan 87, Telstar 106, Livermore Falls 135, Winthrop 150; Dec. 29—Telstar's Justine Carver was the top Rebel finisher, in 14th place (58.67), behind winner Sarah Proulx (51.20) of Oxford Hills, in a 51-skier giant slalom. Other Telstar finishers: Jessica James (1:04.40); 28. Heather Zimmerman (1:06.16); 40. Riley Gilbert (1:08.89); 49. Kaylee Smith (1:19.71).

SCHOOL LUNCHES: WEEK OF JAN. 7

SAD44 Elementary/Middle/High Breakfast Program
Breakfast for elementary schools and Telstar Regional High School will be choices every day.

SAD44 Middle/High Lunch Program

Monday: Hot dog/bun, sliced carrots, choice of pepperoni pizza, beef ravioli, ham and cheese roll, hamburger/bun, pbj sandwich, salad bar, fruit bar, milk.

Tuesday: Sausage links, mashed potato, sliced carrots, apple crisp, choice of pepperoni pizza, beef ravioli, fishwich, hamburger/bun, salad bar, fruit bar, milk.

Wednesday: Pizza stix, kernel corn, potato chips, choice of pepperoni pizza, beef ravioli, hot dog/bun, hamburger/bun, salad bar, fruit bar, milk.

Thursday: Fish rectangle, mashed potato, beets, bread/butter, dates, choice of pepperoni pizza, beef ravioli, teriyaki chicken, salad bar, fruit bar, milk.

Friday: Chicken pattie/bun, choice of pepperoni pizza, beef ravioli, teriyaki chicken, hamburger/bun, pbj sandwich, salad bar, fruit bar, milk.

SAD44 Elementary Lunch Program

Monday: Hot dog/bun, mixed vegetables, fruit, assorted juice, beef ravioli, pbj sandwich, salad bar, fruit bar, milk.

Tuesday: Sausage links, mashed potato, sliced carrots, beef ravioli, pbj sandwich, salad bar, fruit bar, milk.

Wednesday: Pizza stix, kernel corn, beef ravioli, pbj sandwich, salad bar, fruit bar, milk.

Thursday: Fish rectangle, mashed potato, beets, bread/butter, beef ravioli, pbj sandwich, salad bar, fruit bar, milk.

Friday: Chicken pattie/bun, fruit, assorted juice, beef ravioli, pbj sandwich, salad bar, fruit bar, milk.

Oxford Hills High School Lunch

Monday: Hot dog/roll, buttered pasta, peas, trail mix, fruit, milk.

Tuesday: Rib-A-Que/bun, potato puffs, green beans, fruit, milk.

Wednesday: Hamburger in gravy, mashed potato, carrots, fruit, milk.

Thursday: French toast sticks w/syrup, hash brown, sausage patty, orange, milk.

Friday: Chili, crackers, steamed corn, salad bar, fruit, milk.

Oxford Hills Middle School Lunch

Monday: Tuna salad on w/w or taco chips w/meat sauce, pasta bar, milk.

Tuesday: Ham italian or vegetarian sub, fat-free pretzels, pasta bar, milk.

Wednesday: Sunrise sandwich or steakum w/cheese/bun, potato wedges, pasta bar, milk.

Thursday: Bacon cheeseburger/bun or chicken patty/bun, potato puffs, pickles, pasta bar, milk.

Friday: Mexican tacos w/veggies, pasta bar, animal crackers, milk.

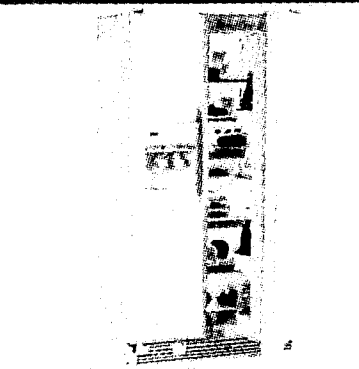
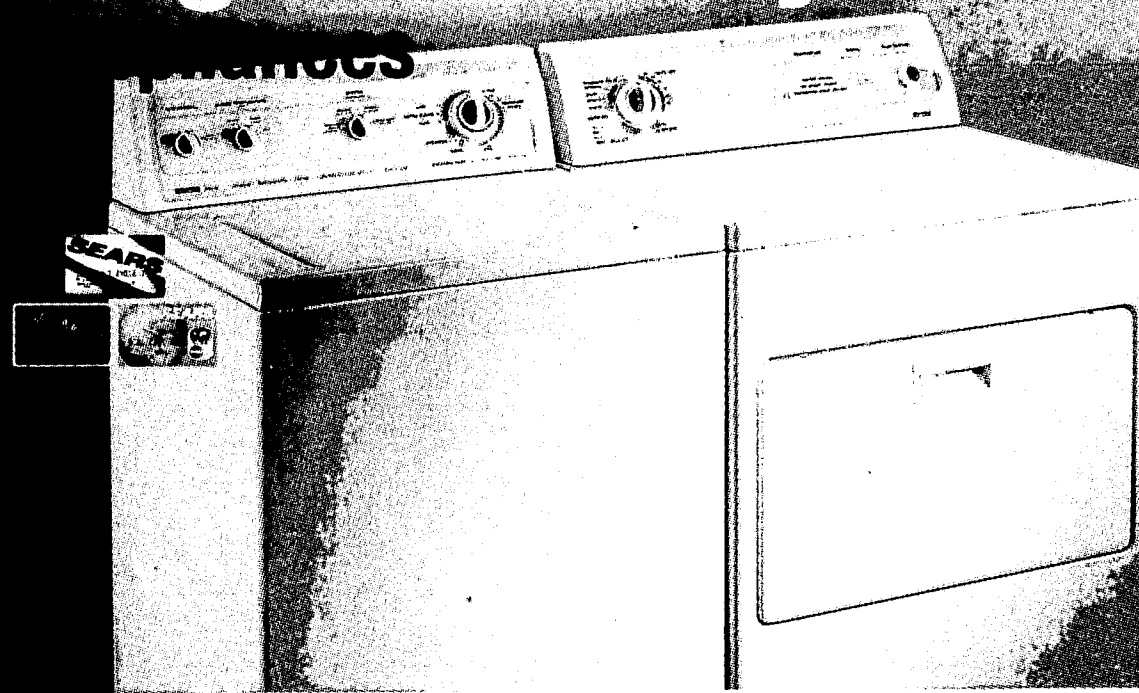
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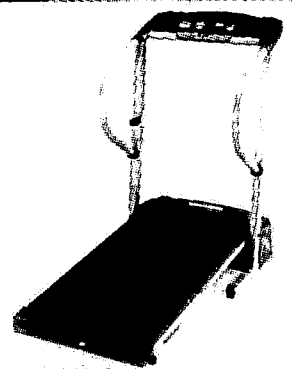
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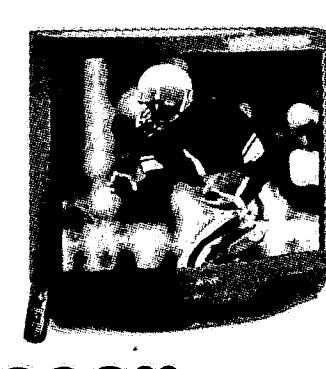
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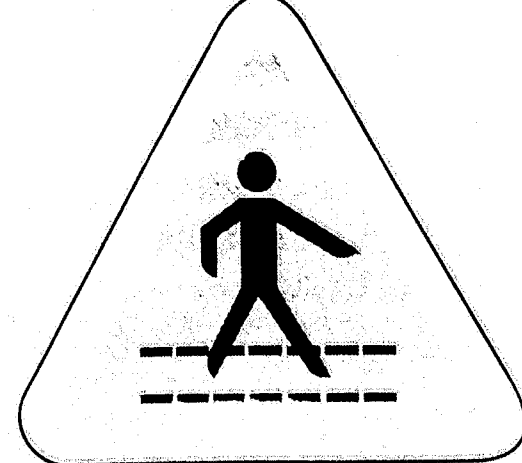
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THURSDAY EVENING JANUARY 3, 2002										
	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3)	News	Frasier	WWF Smackdown!				Ent. Tonight	Frasier	5th Wheel	Shipmates
(32)	Videos	Videos	Movie: "Au Pair"				Whose?	Whose?	700 Club	
(6)	Hollywood	Seinfeld	Friends	Schwartz	Will-Grace	Just Shoot	ER		News	
(8)	Fortune	Jeopardy!	College Football: Rose Bowl -- Miami vs. Nebraska							
(10)	News-Lehrer	Maine	Made In	Frontline		Evening With		Wallace & Gromit		
(22)	Sportsctr.	Gameday	PGA Golf: Mercedes Championships -- First Round				Cowboys Cheerleaders	Sportsctr.		
(34)	Mad TV	Mad TV	Star Trek: Next Gener.	Movie: "O Pioneers!"				Star Trek: Next Gener.		
(13)	Friends	Ent. Tonight	Survivor: Africa	CSI: Crime Son	Agency			News		
(41)	Tailgate	Best Damn Sports Show Period			Last Word	Sports	Sports	Last Word	Best-Sports	
(15)	Police Academy 2	Inside the NFL	Movie: "X-Men"					Real Sex 16		
(17)	Movie: "Johnny Tsunami"		Movie: "Ready to Run"					Movie: "Johnny Tsunami"		
(18)	Romeo	Movie: "The Legend of Bagger Vance"						Movie: "Sleepwalkers"		Nightcap
(20)	NHL Hockey: Toronto Maple Leafs at Boston Bruins						ESPNNews	ESPNNews	ESPNNews	ESPNNews
(44)	Intimate Portrait	Unsolved Mysteries	Movie: "Mixed Blessings"					Golden	Golden	
(5)	Friends	Fresh Pr.	Movie: "Licence to Kill"					Movie: "The Cowboys"		
(24)	Rugrats	Rugrats	Spongeb	Spongeb	Strokes	Family Ties	Cheers	Cheers	All in Family	All in Family
(25)	Three Stooges	Movie: "Butch Cassidy and the Sundance Kid"				Movie: "The Parallax View"				
(26)	JAG	Nash Bridges	JAG			JAG		Smush	Martin	
(27)	Law & Order	Biography	Movie: "Victoria & Albert"					Law & Order		
(12)	Fresh Pr.	Fresh Pr.	Movie: "Air America"				News		In the Heat of the Night	
(39)	Wolf Blitzer	Crossfire	Afghanistan	The Point	Larry King Live		Newsnight		Greenfield	Moneyline

MONDAY EVENING JANUARY 7, 2002										
	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3)	News	Frasier	Hughleys	One	Parkers	Girlfriends	Ent. Tonight	Frasier	5th Wheel	Shipmates
(32)	Videos	Videos	Movie: "Private Benjamin"				Whose?	Whose?	700 Club	
(6)	Hollywood	Seinfeld	Fear Factor		Third Watch				News	
(8)	Fortune	Jeopardy!	Be a Millionaire		NFL Football: Minnesota Vikings at Baltimore Ravens					
(10)	News-Lehrer	Ask Maine Public TV			Masterpiece Theatre's American Collection			Charlie Rose		
(22)	Sportsctr.	Monday Night Countdown			College Basketball: Providence at Texas			Magie Johnson Relies		
(34)	Fame for 15	Star Trek: Next Gener.	WWF Raw					Star Trek: Next Gener.		
(13)	Friends	Ent. Tonight	King	Yes, Dear	Raymond	Becker	Family Law		News	
(41)	See This	NBA Basketball: Boston Celtics at Orlando Magic					Sports	Sports	Last Word	Best-Sports
(15)	"I Love Trouble" Cont'd	Movie: "What Lies Beneath"						Shock Video	All First	
(17)	Movie: "Just Like Dad"				Movie: "Airborne"				Movie: "Noah"	
(18)	"Any Given Sunday"		Movie: "The Blob"					Movie: "Charlie's Angels"		
(20)	Boating	Divers	Outdoors	Outdoors	ESPNNews	ESPNNews	ESPNNews	ESPNNews	ESPNNews	ESPNNews
(44)	Intimate Portrait	Unsolved Mysteries			Movie: "Little Girl Fly Away"				Golden	Golden
(5)	Friends	Fresh Pr.	Movie: "My Girl"					Movie: "Corrina, Corrina"		
(24)	Hey Arnold!	Rugrats	Spongeb	Pelwick	Strokes	Family Ties	Cheers	Cheers	All in Family	All in Family
(25)	Three Stooges	Movie: "River of No Return"				Backstory		Movie: "Harold and Maude"		
(26)	JAG	Nash Bridges			Movie: "Out of Sight"				Smush	
(27)	Law & Order	Biography			Investigative Reports		Investigative Reports		Law & Order	
(12)	Fresh Pr.	Fresh Pr.	Movie: "The Dark Wind"				News		In the Heat of the Night	
(39)	Wolf Blitzer	Crossfire	The Point		Larry King Live		Newsnight		Greenfield	Moneyline

FRIDAY EVENING JANUARY 4, 2002										
	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3)	News	Frasier	Movie: "Just Cause"				Ent. Tonight	Frasier	5th Wheel	Shipmates
(32)	Videos	Videos	Movie: "Dennis the Menace"				Whose?	Whose?	700 Club	
(6)	Hollywood	Seinfeld	Providence	Dateline			Law & Order		News	
(8)	Fortune	AHL Hockey: Worcester IceCats at Portland Pirates						Jeopardy!		
(10)	News-Lehrer	Wash Wk	Wall St.	Keeping Up	One Foot		Darling Buds of May	Rukeyser's Money Guide		
(22)	Sportsctr.	PGA Golf: Mercedes Championships -- Second Round					Sportscenter			
(34)	Mad TV	Mad TV	Star Trek: Next Gener.	Star Trek: Next Gener.			Star Trek: Next Gener.	Star Trek: Next Gener.		
(13)	Friends	Ent. Tonight	King	Ellen	That's Life		48 Hours	News		
(41)	Tailgate	NBA Basketball: Miami Heat at Boston Celtics					Sports	Sports	Last Word	Best-Sports
(15)	Inside the NFL		Movie: "Me, Myself & Irene"				"The Substitute 2: School's Out"		Greenlight	
(17)	Proud	Lizzie	Movie: "MVP: Most Valuable Primate"				Movie: "The Sandlot"			
(18)	"The Perfect Storm"		Movie: "Ghosts"				Movie: "Charlie's Angels"			
(20)	AHL Hockey: Hershey Bears at Providence Bruins						ESPNNews	ESPNNews	ESPNNews	ESPNNews
(44)	Intimate Portrait	Unsolved Mysteries	Movie: "Playing to Win, A Moment of Truth Movie"					Once and Again		
(5)	Friends	Fresh Pr.	Movie: "A View to a Kill"					Movie: "Oodopussy"		
(24)	Rugrats	Rugrats	Spongeb	Oddparents	Martians	Invader Zim	Cheers	Cheers	All in Family	All in Family
(25)	Three Stooges	Movie: "The Omen"					Cinema	Movie: "Damien: Omen II"		
(26)	JAG	Nash Bridges	Movie: "Kindergarten Cop"					Movie: "Bulletproof"		
(27)	Law & Order	Biography	Movie: "No Mercy"					Law & Order		
(12)	NBA Basketball: Chicago Bulls at Washington Wizards				Post-Game	News			In the Heat of the Night	
(39)	Wolf Blitzer	Crossfire	Afghanistan	The Point	Larry King Live		Newsnight		Greenfield	Moneyline

TUESDAY EVENING JANUARY 8, 2002										
	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3)	News	Frasier	Buff the Vampire Slayer	Hughleys	One		Ent. Tonight	Frasier	5th Wheel	Shipmates
(32)	Videos	Videos	Movie: "What's Eating Gilbert Grape"				Whose?	Whose?	700 Club	
(6)	Hollywood	Seinfeld	Imagine	Sisters	Frasier	Scrubs	Dateline		News	
(8)	Fortune	Jeopardy!	Dharma	Spin City	NYPD Blue		Philly		News	
(10)	News-Lehrer	Nova			Sound and Fury		History-Chickn		Charlie Rose	
(22)	College Basketball: Michigan State at Indiana				College Basketball: Mississippi State at Arkansas				Sportscenter	
(34)	Mad TV	Mad TV	Star Trek: Next Gener.				Movie: "Beverly Hills Cop II"		Star Trek: Next Gener.	
(13)	Friends	Ent. Tonight	JAG		Guardian		Judging Amy		News	
(41)	Halls Fame	Best Damn Sports Show Period					Last Word	Sports	Sports	Last Word
(15)	Movie: "Here on Earth" Cont'd				Movie: "Cast Away"				Sex & City	Greenlight
(17)	Movie: "Principal Takes a Holiday"				Movie: "Jett Jackson: The Movie"				Movie: "Principal Takes a Holiday"	
(18)	"All the Pretty Horses"		Movie: "28 Days"						Movie: "Romeo Must Die"	
(20)	Bruins	NHL Hockey: Boston Bruins at Pittsburgh Penguins					Front Row		ESPNNews	
(44)	Intimate Portrait	Unsolved Mysteries	Movie: "Artificial Lies"					Golden	Golden	
(5)	Friends	Fresh Pr.	NBA Basketball: Los Angeles Lakers at Detroit Pistons				Inside NBA		Movie: "Striptease"	
(24)	Hey Arnold!	Rugrats	Spongeb	Ginger	Strokes	Family Ties	Cheers	Cheers	All in Family	All in Family
(25)	Three Stooges		Movie: "Charade"				Hello, He Lied-Truths		Bulch Cassidy	
(26)	JAG	Nash Bridges			Movie: "The Mod Squad"				Smush	Mod Squad
(27)	Law & Order	Biography			Law & Order		100 Centre Street		Law & Order	
(12)	Fresh Pr.	Fresh Pr.	Movie: "A Vow to Kill"				News		In the Heat of the Night	
(39)	Wolf Blitzer	Crossfire	The Point		Larry King Live		Newsnight		Greenfield	Moneyline

SATURDAY EVENING JANUARY 5, 2002										
	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3)	Fortune	Jeopardy!	Movie: "RoboCop"				Entertainment Tonight	Star Trek: Voyager		
(32)	"Dunston Checks In"		Movie: "Bill & Ted's Bogus Journey"				Movie: "Police Academy 4: Citizens on Patrol"			
(6)	Maine	Seinfeld	Movie: "GoldenEye"					News	Sat. Night	
(8)	Fortune	Jeopardy!	Movie: "G.I. Jane"					News	Buffy	
(10)	Made In	Opinion	Antiques Roadshow UK	Time Goes	Barbara	Life 360		Red Green	Red Green	
(22)	NFL 2 Night	PGA Golf: Mercedes Championships -- Third Round					Sportscenter			
(34)	Rodeo		Monster Jam	Robot Wars	Robot Wars	WWF Excess		WWF Excess Late Night		
(13)	Entertainment Tonight	AFI Awards 2001						News	Andromeda	
(41)	NBA Action	NBA Basketball: Boston Celtics at New York Knicks					Sports	Sports	Beyond the Glory	
(15)	Movie: "Congo" Cont'd							Boxing		
(17)	Proud	Lizzie	Movie: "Hounded"				Movie: "Uncle Buck"		BugJuice	
(18)	"Under Suspicion" Cont'd		Movie: "The Replacements"				Movie: "The Patriot"			
(20)	College Basketball: Pittsburgh at Boston College						ESPNNews	ESPNNews	ESPNNews	ESPNNews
(44)	Movie: "A Cry for Help: The Tracey Thurman Story"		Movie: "Strange Voices"					Beyond Chance		
(5)	Movie: "The Shawshank Redemption"							Movie: "Thunderheart"		
(24)	Hey Arnold!	Rugrats	As Told by Ginger-Summer of Camp	Garcia	Cheers	Cheers		All in Family	All in Family	
(25)	Movie: "Bus Stop" Cont'd		Marilyn Monroe: The Final Days				Movie: "Abbott and Costello Meet Frankenstein"			
(26)	Movie: "Bulletproof"				Movie: "Major Payne"				Law & Order	
(27)	100 Centre Street	Behind Closed Doors	Midsomer Murders					Law & Order		
(12)	Fam. Mat.	Fresh Pr.	Movie: "Thelma & Louise"				MacGyver	Fresh Pr.	"Deceived"	
(39)	Capital Gang		Live From Afghanistan	Larry King Weekend	Report	People	Capital Gang			

WEDNESDAY EVENING JANUARY 9, 2002										
	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30
(3)	News	Frasier	Enterprise				Ent. Tonight	Frasier	5th Wheel	Shipmates
(32)	Videos	Videos	Movie: "Robin Hood: Men in Tights"				Whose?	Whose?	700 Club	
(6)	Hollywood	Seinfeld	Ed		West Wing		Law & Order		News	
(8)	Fortune	Jeopardy!	American Music Awards						News	
(10)	News-Lehrer	Road Diaries			Juggling Work and Family				Charlie Rose	
(22)	Interruption	W. Hayes	NHL Hockey: Los Angeles Kings at New York Rangers						Sportscenter	
(34)	Mad TV	Mad TV	Star Trek: Next Gener.			Movie: "The Scout"			Star Trek: Next Gener.	
(13)	Friends	Ent. Tonight	60 Minutes II			Michael Jackson: 30th Anniversary			News	
(41)	NBA Basketball: San Antonio Spurs at Boston Celtics				Sports	Sports	Sports	Last Word	Best-Sports	
(15)	Movie: "Congo" Cont'd		All First		Sex & City	Greenlight	Six Feet Under		Oz	
(17)	Movie: "Quints"				Movie: "The Jennie Project"				Movie: "Fly Away Home"	
(18)	Movie: "The Patriot"								Movie: "Dude, Where's My Car?"	Sin City
(20)	Sports	College Basketball: Boston College at Villanova			ESPNNews	ESPNNews	ESPNNews	ESPNNews	ESPNNews	ESPNNews
(44)	Intimate Portrait	Unsolved Mysteries	Movie: "The Witness Files"					Golden	Golden	
(5)	Friends	Fresh Pr.	Ripley's Believe It or Not!			Movie: "Boyz n the Hood"			Ripley's Believe It or Not!	
(24)	Hey Arnold!	Rugrats	Spongeb	Pelwick	Strokes	Family Ties	Cheers	Cheers	All in Family	All in Family
(25)	Three Stooges		Movie: "Chisum"				Movie: "The Belbo"		Cinderella	
(26)	JAG	Nash Bridges			Movie: "Hard Rain"				Smush	Martin
(27)	Law & Order	Biography			American Justice		City Confidential		Law & Order	
(12)	Fresh Pr.	Fresh Pr.	Movie: "Far Out Man"				News		In the Heat of the Night	
(39)	Wolf Blitzer	Crossfire	The Point		Larry King Live		Newsnight		Greenfield	Moneyline

SUNDAY EVENING JANUARY 6, 2002											
	7:00	7:30	8:00	8:30	9:00	9:30	10:00	10:30	11:00	11:30	
(3)	Evening of Stars								Wildest Police Videos		
(32)	Movie: "Annie" Cont'd		Movie: "Willy Wonka and the Chocolate Factory"			Movie: "Time Share"					
6	Dateline		Weakest Link		Law & Order		UC: Undercover		News	Hot Ticket	
8	Movie: "Doctor Doolittle"		Alias			Practice		News		Pretender	
10	Ballykissangel		Nature		American Experience			Lost Sqdrn	Mystery!		
(22)	PGA Golf		NFL Primetime		NFL Football: Philadelphia Eagles at Tampa Bay Buccaneers						Sportsctr.
(34)	Star Trek: Next Gener.		Star Trek: Next Gener.		Conspire		Ultimate		Gaither Gospel Hour	Rodeo	
13	60 Minutes		Max Bickford		Movie: "Entrapment"				News	Nash	
(41)	College Basketball: Duke at Florida State Cont'd		Beyond the Glory			Sports		Sports	Beyond the Glory		
(15)	"Medicine Man" Cont'd		Sopranos		Sex & City	Greenlight	Oz	Movie: "Bedazzled"			
(17)	Proud	Lizzie	Movie: "Star Kid"				Movie: "Legend of Pirate's Point"			BugJuice	
(18)	"On Deadly Ground"		Movie: "Son-in-Law"				Movie: "Dude, Where's My Car?"			Creating	
(20)	Front Row		Wild World: 1st Winter		Ringmasters		ESPNNews	ESPNNews	ESPNNews	ESPNNews	
(44)	"I Know What You Did"		Strong Medicine		Division		Any Day Now		Women Docs		
(5)	"Guarding Tess" Cont'd		Movie: "Contact"								Movie: "Guarding Tess"
(24)	Taina	Ginger	Callin'	Nick News	Strokes	Strokes	Cheers	Cheers	All in Family	All in Family	
(25)	Charley	Backstory	Movie: "Balm"				Screen		"Creature From the Black Lagoon"		
(26)	Movie: "Major Payne"				Movie: "The Waterboy"				Law & Order		
(27)	Home Alone 2		Law & Order		Movie: "The Silence of the Lambs"					Ambersons	
(12)	Mutant X		Andromeda		Earth: Final Conflict		News	Replay	In the Heat of the Night		
(39)	CNN Presents		Afghanistan		People		Larry King Weekend	Special Report	CNN Presents		

Events Calendar



Public Computer Access — The SAD44 Adult Learning Center, on Philbrook Street in Bethel, offers literacy services, GED preparation, academic skills instruction to prepare for employment or college, and career and educational advising. The Learning Center computer lab is open for public use by adults during hours that the Learning Center is open: Monday, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.; Tuesday, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.; Wednesday, 9 a.m. to 7 p.m.; and Thursday, 9 a.m. to noon. Additional winter hours for the computer lab are: Monday, 5 to 8 p.m.; Thursday, 5 to 8 p.m.; Friday, 5 to 8 p.m.; and Sunday, 5 to 8 p.m.

District Exchange Community Thrift Shop accepts donations of in-season clothing in clean, wearable condition only. Drop-off hours and shopping: Monday, 1 to 4 p.m.; Thursday, 4 to 6 p.m. and Saturday, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Seniors Lunch every Tuesday and Thursday, 11:30 a.m., at Bethel Methodist Church, Main Street, sponsored by SeniorsPlus. Donation for 60 and older and spouses, \$2.50; all other guests, \$4. Come alone or bring a friend. Reservations are important. For information, menus, reservations, call 824-3168 (also the number to call to apply for Meals on Wheels).

8:30 to 9:30 a.m. — Water Aerobics at Bethel Inn — Monday, Wednesday, Friday mornings. Call 875-2065 for more information.

Jan. 26 through Feb. 2 — Ice Sculptures on display at the Gazebo on the town common created by area chefs and restaurateurs. Contact Fred Nolte at the Chapman Inn (824-2657) for more information.

Thursday, Jan. 3

11:30 a.m. — Woodstock-Greenwood Senior Citizens meeting at the town Annex. Potluck dinner and silent auction. Bring place setting and hot dish, salad or dessert and an item for the silent auction.

Friday, Jan. 4

Greenwood Residents — Deadline for placing an article in the Town Warrant and request funding for March 30, 2002 Town Meeting.

Saturday, Jan. 5

5:30 p.m. — Public Supper at United Methodist Church, Main Street, Bethel. Supper price: adults, \$5; under 12, \$2.50.

10 a.m. to 1 p.m. — Bake Sale at Bethel Foodliner sponsored by the Albany Congregational Church. Proceeds will benefit the Youth Group.

Tuesday, Jan. 8

6 p.m. — Bethel Appeals Board meeting at Telstar Regional High School lecture hall. Agenda: Angevine Pond and Community Concepts housing at Bethel Station.

Wednesday, Jan. 9

7 p.m. — "Lake Umbagog Wildlife Refuge" by Paul Casey, refuge manager, sponsored by Mahoosuc Land Trust at Gould Academy's Ordway Hall. Free and open to the public. For more information, call 824-3806.

11 a.m. — Bethel Senior Citizens Club dinner and meeting at Sudbury Inn (\$7). Dues are payable at this meeting.

6 p.m. — Democratic Candidates Night and Beef Stew Supper (\$3) at Rumford Eagles Hall, 13 Oxford Avenue, Rumford. U.S. Senate Candidate Chellie Pingree will be speaker. Second District candidates expected: Michael Michaud, Kaleigh Tara, Lori Handrahan, Susan Longley and David Costello. All welcome. For more information, call Cathy Newell at 875-2116.

Thursday, Jan. 10

Celebrating Fatherhood, Father and Child Events, sponsored by Community Concepts, will have a craft and play time with dinner at Chisholm School, 100

York Street, Rumford. For more information or to sign up, call Jonathan Goldberg (824-3459) or Sally Goddard (743-7716).

Friday, Jan. 11

1 to 6 p.m. — American Red Cross Blood Drive at Sunday River Ski Resort. All blood types needed. Donors must be at least 17, weigh at least 110 pounds, and be in good health. For more information, call (800) 482-0743.

Franklin Grange 124 meeting and potluck. Program will be Grange New Year.

Saturday, Jan. 12

8 to 11:30 p.m. — Old-fashioned Dance at Locke Mills Town Hall with music by the Richard Felt Orchestra. Proceeds will benefit Greenwood Historical Society.

Monday, Jan. 14

Judith Grover Tent 17 will meet for installation at the Grange Hall with a tasting party after the meeting.

Tuesday, Jan. 15

11:30 a.m. — Christian Women United luncheon and meeting at Country Way Restaurant, South Paris. Caroline Taylor of Livermore will be speaker. Anyone who has not been contacted but would like a reservation may call Pearl Anderson at 743-5724.

Wednesday, Jan. 16

7 p.m. — "The Magic of Lyn," a Black Diamond Family Entertainment Series show, will be featured at Sunday River Ski Resort's Grand Summit Resort Hotel Grand Ballroom. Tickets: \$4 for 12 and under and \$6 for adults. For more information, call 824-3575.

Thursday, Jan. 17

7 p.m. — Gould Academy Performing Arts Series will present "The Either/Orchestra," a 10-piece jazz ensemble playing big band music and beyond at Bingham Auditorium, Church Street. Tickets: \$4 for students and \$6 for adults. For more information, call 824-3575.

Monthly Meetings

First Sunday: Bethel Snow Twisters Club meets at Clayton Crockett's at 7 p.m. September through April.

Greenstock Snow Sports Snowmobile Club meets at the Greenwood

Windy Valleys Snowmobile Club meeting at Newry Town Office.

Second Sunday: Western Maine Mountain Trail Mixers ATV Club

meets at 6:30pm at Sun Valley Sports, 129 Sunday River Road, Bethel.

New members welcome.

Every Sunday: Western Mountains Meditation Group, Center for

Natural Healing, 47 Pioneer Street, West Paris, 9:30 a.m. 674-3961.

Bethel Freedom Group AA meeting, 6 to 7 p.m. ST/BB at Bethel Fire

Station.

First Monday: Greenwood Planning Board meets at Town Office, 7

p.m.

First and Third Monday: Bethel Board of Selectmen meets at the

Town Office, 7 p.m.

Newry Fire Department monthly meetings: first Monday, 7 p.m., at

Sunday River Station; third Monday,

7 p.m., Bear River Station.

Franklin Grange #124, 7:00p.m., call 674-3046 or 674-3962 for

more info.

Second Monday: Newry Mother's Club meets, 7:30 p.m.

Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War, J. Grover Tent #17,

Ellis River Riders meet at Andover Fire Station, 7 p.m.

Third Monday: Greenwood Comprehensive Planning Committee

meets at town office, 7p.m.

Second and Fourth Monday: SAD44 Board of Directors meets in

Bethel, Woodstock or Andover at 7:30 p.m. Call 824-2185 for place.

Gilead Fire Department meets at the Fire Station at 7 p.m.

Every Monday: Mahoosuc Music Makers rehearsal, 7-9 p.m., West

Paris Congregational Church (downstairs).

First Tuesday: Woodstock Planning Board meets at 7 p.m. at Town

Office.

Upton selectmen meet at 7 p.m. at Town Office.

Western Maine Knitters Guild meets at Christ Church, Norway, 10

a.m. to noon.

First and Third Tuesday: The Greater Rumford Alliance for the

Mentally Ill-Children and Adolescent Network (GRAMI-CAN) Support,

education and advocacy. Meets in the former St. John's rectory from

6:30-8 p.m. in Rumford. Contact Diane at 369-0542.

The Bethel Lions Club meets at the Frank Gibson home, North Road,

Bethel, at 7 p.m.

Bethel Area Promise Keepers, 7 p.m., Bethel Alliance Church.

FACTS (Family/Friends And Consumers Together for Support) 6:30-

8 p.m. at Bethel Bisbee Adult Learning Center. Contact Rhonda at 824-

3076.

Greenwood selectmen meet at Town Office, 5 p.m.

Second Tuesday: Mundi-Allen Post, American Legion,

meeting at 7:30 p.m. Supper starts at 6:30 p.m.

Telstar Alumni Association meets at 6:30 p.m. at the Telstar Library.

Ladies' Bible Fellowship, 7 p.m., Bethel Alliance Church.

Third Tuesday: Pine Tree Legal Assistance at Bethel Area Health

Center, starting at 10 a.m.

Every Tuesday: Bethel Rotary Club meets at The Bethel Inn, 7:30

a.m.

Andover Board of Selectmen meets at the Town office, 7 p.m.

Newry Board of Selectmen meets at the Town Office, 9 a.m.

CrossCountry Quilters will meet at the Robinson House or Bethel

Library from 9 to 11am except the last Tuesday of each month the meet-

ing will be from 7 to 9pm.

Cub Scout Pack 566 meeting, 6 p.m., at Crescent Park School

Cafeteria.

Mollycoddett Chorus practice, 6:30-9 p.m. at Church of Jesus Christ

of Latter Day Saints, Skeetfield Rd., Oxford (Call 824-2468 for info).

First Wednesday: Greenwood Historical Society meets at the

Society Building, Main St., Locke Mills, 7 p.m.

Bethel Area Archery Spinning Group, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., West

Paris Congregational Church. Potluck luncheon.

Saturday, Jan. 19

3 to 5 p.m. — Bob Bigelow, a nationally known speaker and child development specialist and former NBA first round draft choice four-year NBA player who played collegiately for Chuck Daly, the Hall of Fame basketball coach, will address parents of athletes involved in GSR, River Runners and the local community regarding the needs of children in youth sports. This free program will be held at Gould Academy's Bingham Hall Auditorium and is sponsored by Sunday River Ski Resort, Gould Academy and Sunday River Ski Club.

Sunday, Jan. 20

7 p.m. — "Burlington Taiko" will be featured at the Grand Ballroom, Grand Summit Resort Hotel, Sunday River Ski Resort as part of the Black Diamond Family Entertainment Series. Tickets in advance: \$4 for 12 and under and \$6 for adults; at door: \$6/\$8. For more information, call 824-3575.

Thursday, Jan. 24

Celebrating Fatherhood, Father and Child Events, sponsored by Community Concepts, will have a craft and play time, with dinner, at the Gail Riley Center, 338 High Street, South Paris. For more information or to sign up, call Jonathan Goldberg (824-3459) or Sally Goddard (743-7716).

Friday, Jan. 25

Welcome to Winterfest 2002 and Snowmobile Weekend Party at Great Grizzly Steakhouse, Sunday River Road, Newry.

Saturday, Jan. 26

8 to 11:30 p.m. — Old-fashioned Dance at Locke Mills Town Hall with music by the Richard Felt Orchestra. Proceeds will benefit Greenwood Historical Society.

Noon — Androscoggin River Polar Bear Plunge at Bethel Outdoor Adventures.

9 a.m. to 4 p.m. — Second annual Antique Snowmobile Show and Grooming Rodeo at Bethel Station Lot on Parkway.

Bethel Firemen will sponsor a feast.

11 a.m. — Jeep parade through Bethel, antique Jeeps parked at the Snowmobile Show in celebration of Jeep's 60th anniversary. Obstacle course at Bethel Outdoor Adventure at 1 p.m.

7 p.m. — Guided Tour (free) to see the Budweiser Aerial Assault and Fireworks at Barker Base Lodge, Sunday River Ski Resort. Meet at Sun Valley Sports and Guide Services or Bethel Outdoor Adventures.

Full moon Nordic Ski 4/1 km. fun relay at Carter's Cross Country Ski Center, Intervale Road, Bethel. Bring dessert for dessert potluck. Entry is \$3 per person. Registration starts at 5 p.m., events start at moonrise.

Sunday, Jan. 27

Learn to snowmobile at Bethel Outdoor Adventures.

10 a.m. to 2 p.m. — Snowmobile Radar Run at Bethel Airport. Participants need to register Saturday at the Snowmobile Show. For more information, call 824-7533.

Saturday, Feb. 16

Republican Lincoln Day Dinner at the Bethel Inn.

Sunday, Feb. 17

11 a.m. to 1 p.m. — Oxford ARC 27th annual Ride-In 2002 at Horizons Unlimited, Swain Road, Rumford, sponsored by Northern Oxford County Snowmobile and Service Clubs from Rumford, Mexico, Peru, Dixfield, Carthage, Weld, Roxbury, Andover, Newry and Canton. Raffle drawing at 12:30 p.m. For more information, call Tanya at 364-4561.

Church Services

Bethel

Bethel Alliance Church—Rev. Rick Mowery, 10:00 a.m. worship, Sunday School at 9:00 a.m. Men's and women's groups Sunday at 6:00 p.m. Home prayer groups 7:00 p.m. Wednesdays. Youth ministries 6:30 p.m. Thursday.

Church of the Nazarene—Pastor Chuck Mason, 9:30 a.m. Sunday school (2 hours, including recreation activities; call 824-4028 for transportation), 10:30 a.m. morning worship, 6 p.m. evening service. 824-4028 (voice mail) or 824-7289 for more info.

West Parish Congregational—Rev. Brendon Bass and Rev. Jean Bass, 10:30 a.m. worship and church school. Nursery care provided. Prayer, Tues., 8 a.m.

Our Lady of the Snows—Mass—Saturday, 5:00 p.m. Starting Dec. 8, please note the time change. 743-2606. Pastor Father Maurice Lebel 743-2606.

United Methodist—Rev. Walter Brown, Pastor, 10 a.m. Sunday worship. Rainbow Church School, 3-5 p.m. Thursdays (all ages welcome).

West Bethel Union—Rev. John Williams, 9 a.m. worship and church school. For info, call 836-2844 or 836-2882.

Pleasant Valley Bible—Pastor Clifford McMullen, 9 a.m. Sunday school. 10 a.m. worship. 836-2828.

Episcopal House Church—Third Sunday each month at the Bohrs' on 38 Chapman Street at 4 p.m. For more information, call 824-2913.

Church of Christ—at home of Keith Hamel, minister, 507 Walker's Mill Road (Rt. 26), Bethel. Worship at 10 a.m. Sunday, Bible study at 11 a.m. 824-3577.

Mahoosuc Mountain Friends—a worship group meeting in the unprogrammed tradition of Friends (Quakers)—Sunday 9:30 a.m. at 558 E. Bethel Rd. Newcomers welcome. First Day School activities provided for children. Call Marie Hickey (875-2257) for more info.

Worldwide Church of God—10:30 a.m. first, second third (and fifth) Saturday each month. Services held in the dining hall of the West Parish Congregational Church. Contact: George Weber, 892-0779

Woodstock

Bryant Pond Baptist—Rev. Peter Laitres, Sundays: Sunday School 9:15am; Adult Bible Fellowship 9:15am; Morning Worship 10:30am; Choir Practice 4:45pm; Evening Preaching Service 6:00pm. Wednesdays: Patch the Pirate Club 6:30pm; Prayer Meeting and Bible Study 6:30pm.

Unitarian Universalist—Services will be suspended until Easter when we will resume the first and third Sundays.

Woodstock Seventh-day Adventist—Pastor Richard Wright (207-797-9678), Saturday: 9:20 a.m. Sabbath school. 11 a.m. worship service.

Pinhook Meeting House (Rt. 232, North Woodstock)—Hymn Sing, last Friday of each month, 7 p.m. All welcome.

Andover

First Congregational Church—Pastor Jane Rich. 10 a.m. Sunday worship service. Religious education: Monday-Sunday School 2:45-4:15 p.m.

Calvary Congregational Church—Pastor John O'Keefe. Winter hours: Sunday School 9:30am, Sunday AM worship 10:45am, Sunday PM praise 6:30pm. Wednesday bible study and prayer meeting 6:45pm. Thursday Men's Discipleship 7:00pm, Friday Awana clubs: Sparks 3:30-5:00, Big 4 Clubs 6-8 pm. Contact church for schedule of Ladies Discipleship and bible study groups. Route 5, S. Andover. 392-1121.

Gorham, N.H.

Assembly of God—Pastor Paul Levigen. Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Sunday service 10:30 a.m., Sunday evening service 7 p.m., Wednesday Bible study 7 p.m. (603-466-2851).

Locke Mills

Locke Mills Union—Rev. Deborah M. Jenks, 9 a.m. worship and Sunday school.

East Stoneham

Oxford County United Parish—Rev. George Frohig. 10 a.m. worship; Sunday School 10:00am at North Waterford Church through winter months.

Newry

Newry Community Church—Sunday worship service, 9 a.m. Rodney H. Hanscom, pastor. (Services in the church will resume in April)

Albany

Congregational Church—Hunt's Corner, 9:30 a.m. Sunday worship and Sunday School; Pastor Eddie Gammon. Bible Study 6:30 Thursdays at the church.

Norway/Paris

Christian Science Society (9 Stevens St.)— Sunday Service 10 a.m., Wed. Testimony Service 7:30 p.m. Call 824-4099 for info.

Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church—Route 117N, S. Paris, Pastor Tom Teichmann. Sunday Morning Service 9 a.m. with coffee fellowship immediately after.

North Paris Federation—Morse Hill Road, North Paris. Sunday Service: 8 a.m. Pastor Bruce Tyner 674-2968

Oxford Hills Friends (Quakers)—Sunday worship 9:30 a.m., Children's program, 9:40 a.m. at HOPE Ripley Center, High Street, S. Paris. Call 583-2780 for more information.

Rumford Point

Rumford Point Church— Sunday service, Sunday School, 10:30 a.m. Rev. Deborah Jenks.

West Paris

Unitarian Universalist Church of West Paris—U. Rev. Joy Gasta, 9 a.m. worship (Sept.-mid-June) 674-2365.

West Paris Baptist—Sunday Worship 9 a.m. Bruce Tyner, Pastor/Adult Education and Sunday School 10:15 a.m., Sunday evening worship with Bible reading 7:00 p.m.; Wednesday evening prayer meeting and Bible study, 7 p.m. (First Sunday of each month, Singing/Inspiration alternating between North Paris Federated and West Paris Baptist).

West Paris Congregational Church— Linda Kimball, pastor. Sunday Worship 11 a.m.; Sunday School 10 a.m.

Sumner

East Sumner Congregational— Linda Kimball, pastor. Sunday service, 9 a.m.

Sunday River Skiway

Sunday River Christian Ministry — Rev. Don Coverdale. On mountain interdenominational worship service every Sunday December 30 to March 23 at 10:30 a.m. Located on second floor of the River House — green building just beyond South Ridge Base Lodge — Sunday River Trolley service available or ski to the River House. Special services: Easter Sunrise, Columbus Day Weekend, Thanksgiving, and Christmas Eve. Call 846-5896 for more information.

Support Services

REACH

Rape Education and Crisis Hotline 1-800-871-7741. Sexual assault/sexual abuse hotline, same number. Support groups and awareness education, past or present victims of abuse.

Exchanges

District Exchange—Open every Monday 1-4 p.m., Thursday, 4-6 p.m. and every Saturday from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at the Ethel Bisbee School, Bethel. Clothing on sale, food available for those in need.

The Woodstock Seventh Day Adventist Church Community Service Center announces that individuals or families requiring assistance with food needs in the South Woodstock, Bryant Pond, West Paris and Sumner areas are invited to call 674-2566, 674-2663, or 665-2226 to learn more details.

Abused Women's Advocacy Project AWAP serves all of Oxford County and provides emergency shelter, court advocacy and support groups with child care. Rumford office 369-0750; Norway office 743-5806; 24-hour hotline 1-800-559-2927.

Alcohol/Drug Treatment

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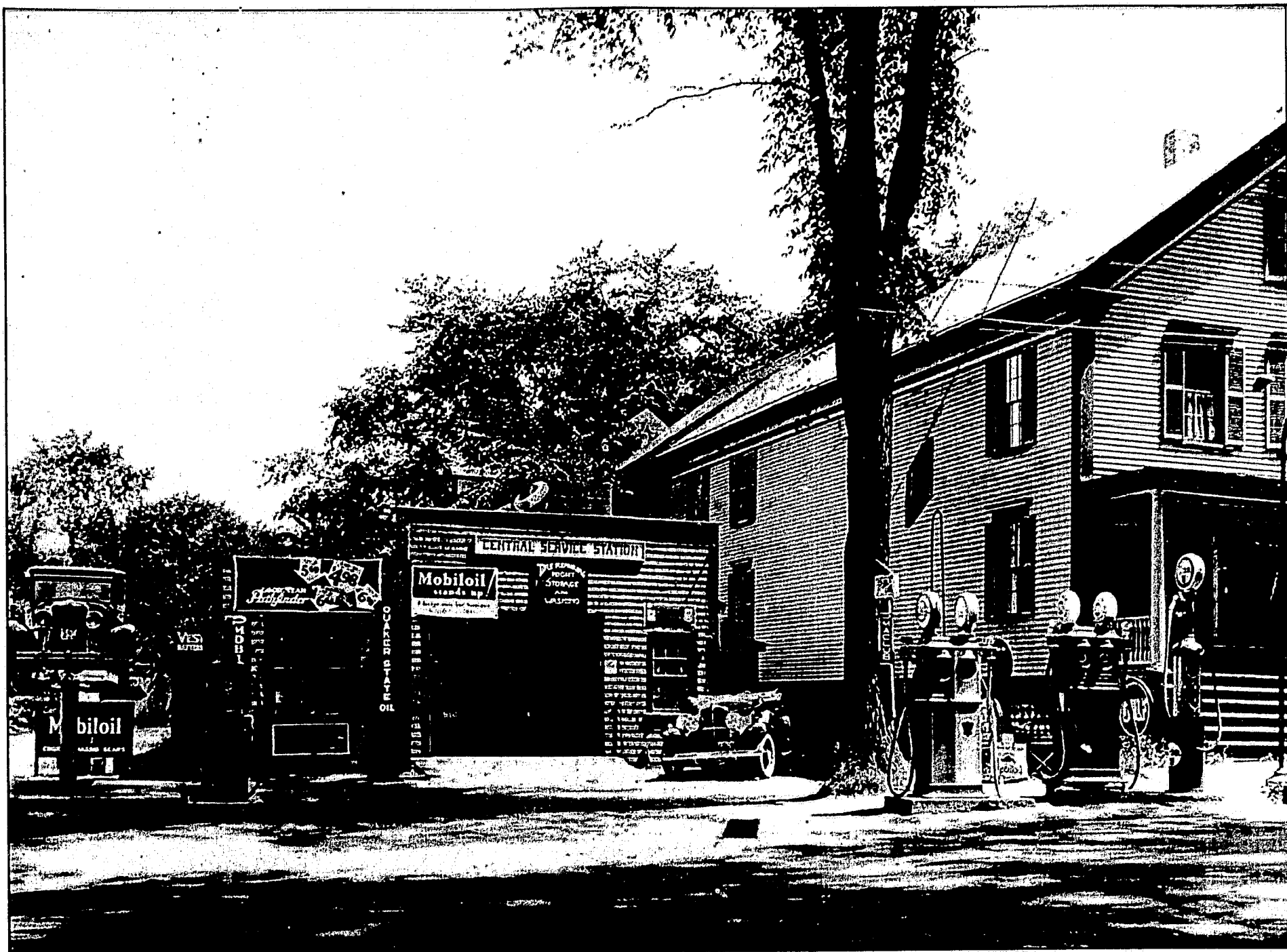
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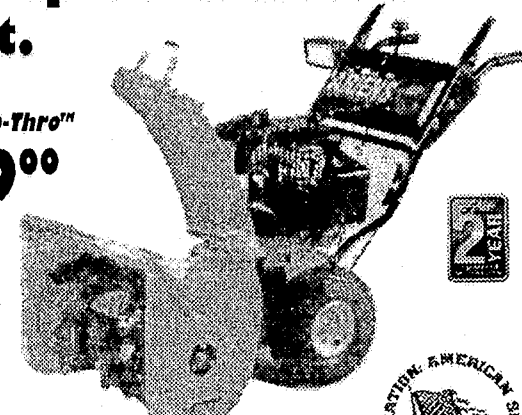
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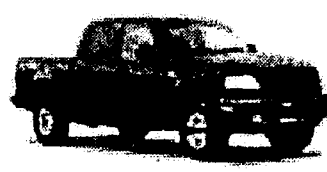
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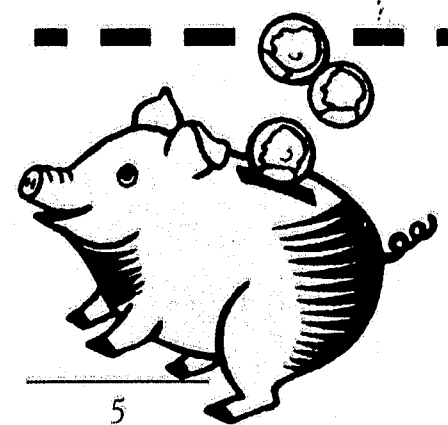
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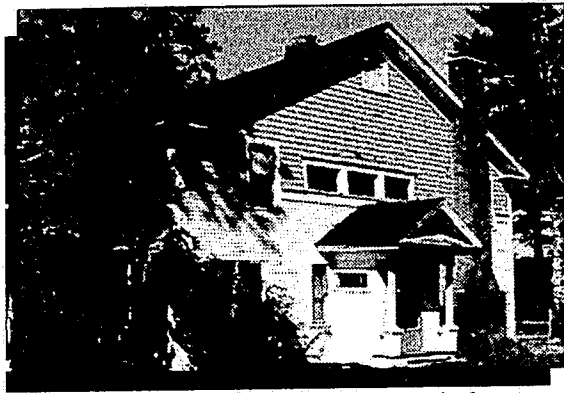
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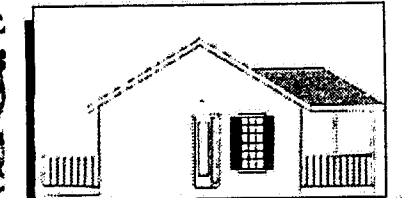
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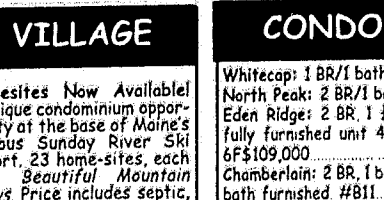
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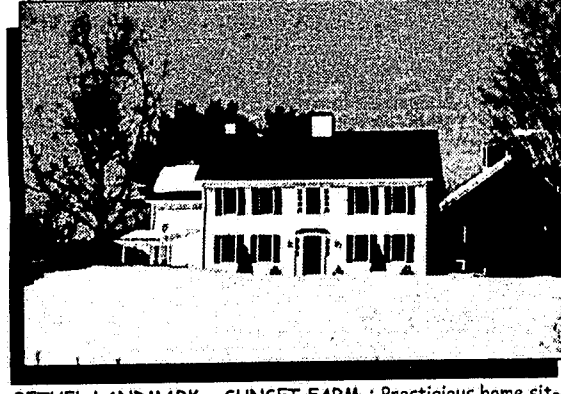


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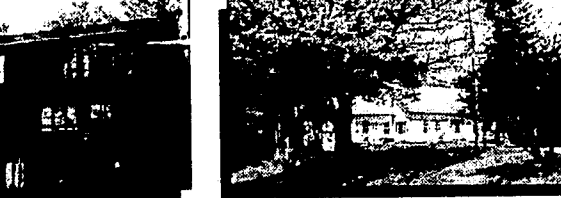


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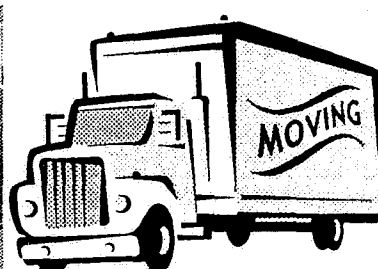
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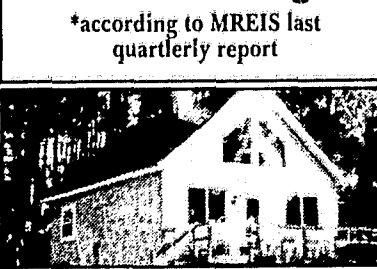
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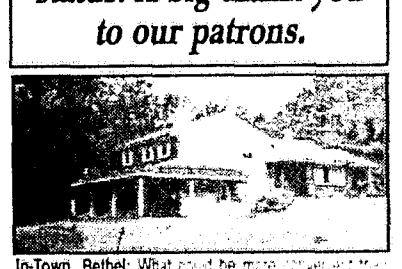


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Obituaries

FRANCIS E. SHORTSLEEVES

Francis E. Shortsleeves, 62, of Sparrowhawk Mountain Road, West Bethel, died Friday, Dec. 28, 2001 at Stephens Memorial Hospital.

He was born in Cambridge, Mass., on March 30, 1939, a son of Preston S. and Katherine Jellows Shortsleeves and graduated from Braintree High School. He was a supervisor for the Massachusetts Bay Transit Authority at the bus maintenance shops in Everett. Prior to that, he worked for the Sheet-metal Workers International Association Local 17 from where he also retired.

He was a 33rd-degree Mason and was a life member of the NRA. He served his country in the U.S. Marine Corps. He married Marie Amoroso on Aug. 19, 1966, and they have lived in West Bethel for 10 years.

He is survived by his wife of West Bethel.

A Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated Wednesday, Jan. 2, at Our Lady of the Snows in Bethel. Burial will be held in the spring. If desired, donations can be made to a charity of your choice.

MILDRED BERNEY OTTEN

Mildred Berney Otten, widow of Albert Otten, died peacefully in her sleep Friday, Dec. 28, 2001 at her home in Teaneck, N.J., at the age of 90.

Born March 1, 1911 in Denver, Colo., she was the sixth of eight children of Harry and Esther Michelson Berney. Mildred grew up in Tupper Lake, N.Y. where she graduated with honors from Theodore Roosevelt High School. In the 1930s she moved to the Bronx with her mother and worked for many years as a milliner at Bergdorf Goodman.

In 1948, Mildred married Albert Otten and retired from work to become a mother and tireless volunteer for many well-known organizations. She served on the board of Marymount Manhattan College and

was extensively involved in and honored by both The Women's Division-American Society for Technical University in Israel and Temple Emeth in Teaneck, N.J. She was also a member, patron and/or benefactor to many institutions including The Metropolitan Museum of Art, The Guggenheim, The Jewish Museum, and also The Lotus Club. In her later years Mildred oversaw the exhibition and loan of the family's art collection, which is now on display in the Portland Museum of Art in Maine.

Survivors include her son, Leslie Bennett Otten and his wife Chris of Bethel; her three loving grandchildren Meredith, Joshua and Benjamin Jacob; as well as her longtime friend and companion, Grace Mair. She was predeceased by her husband, in 1985, and her sister and six brothers.

The family held sitting Shiva in New Jersey and will resume sitting Shiva at the home of the Leslie B. Otten Family at South Pond in Greenwood from 5 to 9 p.m. on Thursday, Jan. 3. In lieu of flowers people are asked to make a donation to Beth Joseph Synagogue, P.O. Box 625, Tupper Lake, NY 12986, or a charity of their choice in Mildred's name.

INA B. CAREY

Ina (Bean) Carey, 81, a longtime resident of Framingham, Mass., died Sunday, Dec. 30, 2001, at St. Patrick's Manor in Framingham. She was the wife, for 57 years, of Dr. William A. Carey.

Born in Newry, she was the daughter of the late Robert and Bertha (Weeks) Bean. She was a graduate of Central Maine General Hospital in Lewiston.

During WWII, Mrs. Carey served in the U.S. Army Nurse Corps as a 2nd Lieutenant with the 36th Infantry Division in North Africa and Italy.

Survivors besides her husband of Framingham are a daughter, Mary J. Cusack of Sudbury, Mass., and a son, Thomas P. Carey of Woodbridge, Va.; four grandchildren;

three sisters, Jane Young of Bethel, Ernestine McDonald of Hartford, Conn., and Mary Tripp of Newry; and many nieces and nephews. She was the mother of the late Robert W. Carey, MD, who died in 1994 and Cmdr. William L. Carey, USCG, Ret., who died in 2001.

A Funeral Mass was held Wednesday, Jan. 2, at the Holy Family Chapel at St. Patrick's Manor in Framingham, Mass. Burial will be in the family lot at Mt. Wollaston Cemetery in Quincy, Mass. Expressions of sympathy in Mrs. Carey's memory may be made to the charity of one's choice.

DOROTHY M. BENNETT

Dorothy M. "Dot" Bennett ("The Lady with the Red Cowboy Boots"), 83, of West Bethel, died Monday evening, Dec. 31, 2001, at Market Square Health and Rehabilitation Center, South Paris.

She was born in Norway on Sept. 19, 1918, the daughter of Beatrice Brown. She grew up in Norway and Bethel and attended schools in these towns. She married Raymond K. Bennett on Jan. 8, 1938, and he predeceased her on Aug. 5, 1972.

Mrs. Bennett was a devoted mother and housewife who in her spare time was a childcare provider, grandmother to many, and housecleaner. She was a member of the West Bethel Union Church and was well known for her famous bread and doughnuts.

Survivors include her son, Kieth W. of Mechanic Falls; four daughters, Betty Tyler of South Berwick, Roma Wilson of North Waterford, Freda Davis of West Bethel, and Candy Lemay of Old Orchard; a sister, Marion Kimball of Albany; three brothers, Francis Osgood Jr. of Berlin, N.H., Chester Osgood of South Waterford, and Walter Osgood of Locke Mills; 11 grandchildren; several great-grandchildren; and many nieces, nephews and cousins. She was predeceased by her husband; a sister, Florence Aubin; two brothers, George Brown and Robert Osgood.

Visiting hours will be held Friday evening, Jan. 4, from 6 to 8 p.m. at the Weston-Chandler Funeral Home, 230 Main Street, Norway. A celebration of her life will be held on Saturday, Jan. 5, at 1 p.m. at the West Bethel Union Church with the Rev. John Williams officiating.

Interment will be in the family lot at Pine Grove Cemetery in West Bethel. In lieu of flowers, donations in Dot's memory can be made to Christmas for Kids, Attn: Connie Allen, Community Concepts, PO Box 278, South Paris, ME 04281.

WILLIAM F. CUSHING

William F. Cushing Sr., 70, died Friday, Dec. 28, 2001 in Milton Plantation. He was a resident of Route 232 in Bethel and lived in the area all of his life.

Born in Andover on Aug. 28, 1931, he was the son of Edgar and Florena (Cole) Cushing. He was a graduate of Telstar High School in 1979.

He was a corporal in the U.S. Army during the Korean War. He worked for many sawmills in the area. He then worked for Gould Academy in the maintenance department and for the U.S. Forest Service maintaining service facilities and campgrounds until his retirement in 1993. He was a former member of the Bethel VFW. He loved the outdoors, his family and his cat, "Romeo."

He was married in Rumford, on Nov. 25, 1955, to Frances Josephine Bailey, who survives of Bethel.

Other survivors include a daughter, Brenda and her husband, Major Chester Curtis Jr., USAF, of Springfield, Va.; one son, William E. and his wife Debbie of Bethel; two grandsons; two sisters, Mrs. Lorena Simmons of Andover and Mrs. Thelma Remington of Bethel; a half brother, Edgar Cushing and his wife Lila of Hancock.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, Jan. 2, at the Meader & Son Funeral Home in Rumford, with the Rev. Edward Gammon officiating. Interment will be in the Maine Veterans' Memorial Cemetery in Augusta.

JEAN B. PIERCE

Jean B. Pierce, 61, of Elm Hill Road, South Paris, died Monday, Dec. 24, 2001 at her residence.

She was born in West Paris on Aug. 11, 1940, the daughter of Edward Arthur and Mina E. (Pierce) Baker. She attended West Paris schools and graduated from West Paris High School in 1958.

She worked as a dietician at the

Births

Angela and Mark Bancroft of Paris are pleased to announce the arrival of a baby boy, Thomas Mark, born on Dec. 13, 2001 at Stephens Memorial Hospital, weighing 9 pounds, 2 ounces.

Maternal grandparents are Robert and Sherron Small of Freeport.

Paternal grandparents are Allen and Mary-Alice Bancroft of Paris.

Thomas joins brother Cameron, age 2.

Douglass C. and Debbie K. Webster are the proud parents of a daughter, Cassidy Kulik, born on Dec. 14, 2001 at Maine Medical Center in Portland.

Grandparents are Drew and Judy Webster of Bethel and Martin (Bud) and Lynne Kulik of West Bethel.

Great-grandparents are Ramah Dane of Hampton, N.H., and Laverne Zylstra of Scottsdale, Ariz. Cassidy joins sister Claire, 2½.

CORRECTION

McKinney wedding. The headline for last week's announcement should have listed the groom's name as Patrick McKinney.

SHARE YOUR PHOTOGRAPHS

... of recent town, club and organizational activities. The Citizen welcomes such submissions (color prints are fine) and will publish as many as space permits.

When submitting photographs, please identify the nature and date of the activity, the names of everyone shown in the photograph, and the name of the photographer.

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Card of Thanks

The family of Alice H. Kimball wishes to thank family, friends, neighbors, and colleagues for the outpouring of cards, calls, visits, food, donations, and flowers following the loss of our mother.

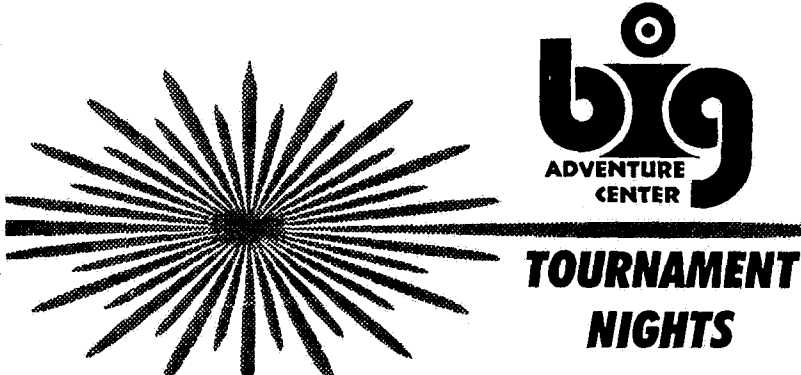
Special thanks to members of the Bethel Rescue Unit and Fire Department who responded quickly to the accident, the caring staffs of Stephens Memorial Hospital and Greenleaf Funeral Home, and to the Reverends Jean and Brendon Bass for comforting prayers and words of support. We'll be forever grateful to firefighter, David Brown, for making an all important call to family, giving us precious last moments with Mom.

We'd also like to thank members of the West Parish Congregational Church Choir and Women's fellowship for your special music and food. God bless you all.

Dorothy & Herbert Adams & Family
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TOURNAMENT NIGHTS

Here's a great way to meet new people and fight that ever so powerful urge to become a winter couch potato.

Every Monday night in January, February, and March from 7 to 10pm

(with the exception of February 18 vacation week Monday), BIG will be hosting Laser Tag Tournaments. The cost will be \$15 for 3 extra-long games. There will be both regular and super challenging specialty games lasting a minimum of 20 minutes, depending on what type of game is to be played that night.

Each week, the participants will select new team captains and the team captains will choose team players

The teams placing 1st, 2nd, and 3rd will receive points as follows: Member of the first place team will each be awarded 5 points, second place 3 points, and third place 1 point. There will be a finals match at the end of March where the individuals will be teamed up according to the points they have accumulated throughout the tournament.

All members of the winning team in the finals match will get a FREE Laser Tag Membership

and a trophy with their names on it, and will have the privilege of playing a "death match" against the BIG Adventure Laser Tag Team. If they are lucky (or skillful) enough to beat the BIG Adventure team, they will win on

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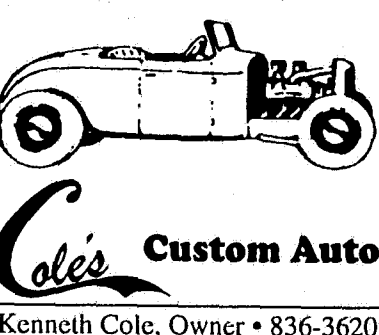
All scores will be posted on the bulletin board at the BIG Adventure Center so you can monitor your progress throughout the tournament. The tournament is open to players of all skill levels ages 14 and up. For more info or to sign up call 207-824-0929 or visit the BIG Adventure Center and ask for Todd or Jim.

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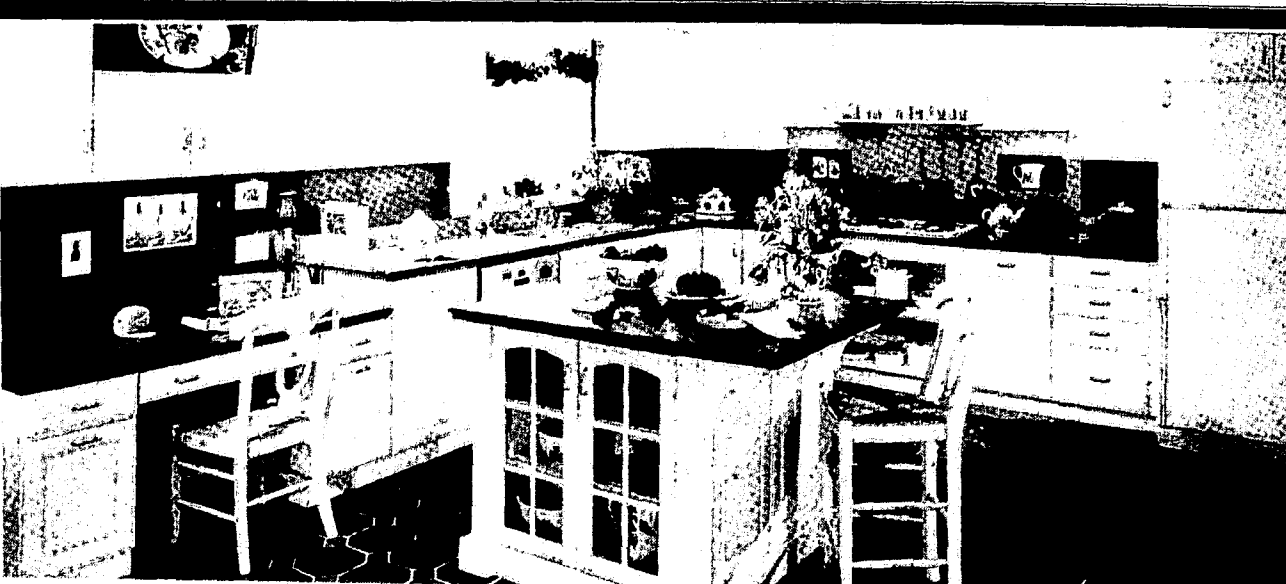


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